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INTRODUCTION.

Nations by nature fituated in the midst of the world, whatever their origin be, if they make any figure, and become considerable in peace or war, have their history, either by their own writers or those of other countries, transmitted to posterity; whilst the actions of people more remote, though perhaps not inferior in power, nor less considerable in peace, are lost in the oblivion of time, and their name and language almost annihilated or extinct. Of the latter fort is the Celtic nation. Situated early west of Greece and Rome, their learning and history, such powerful rivals having sprung up to the east of them, either remained with themselves, or emigrated from the continent to Britain and the adjacent islands.

Greece, at one time, subjecting the East, and Rome afterwards becoming mistress both of the East and West, the Galic power either decreased or retreated, and, in room of Galic, Roman learning succeeded. Rome, like every other great and wealthy state, by its own weight and unweildiness, dropt into non-existence; and now its language lives only

in books. An inundation of Barbarians from the northern parts overwhelmed the European continent. Letters, as affrighted, fled to the Hebrides and Ireland for an afylum, where they flourished for some centuries.

Saxon innovation, however, both in the northern and fouthern parts of Britain, proved fatal to the Galic power and language. The Cambrian and the Galic, formerly the same, but now different dialects of the Celtic, retreated, the one into Wales, and the other into the Highlands and western parts of Scotland. At the revival of letters, and afterwards at the Reformation in religion, the Galic, being unfortunately the provincial language of but a part of Scotland, and having ceased to be fashionable at court, did not partake of the advantages that other languages derive from the invention of printing. Under these disadvantages, however, it still is spoken with much purity, on a great part of the continent and islands of Scotland, and exists, at this day, one of the greatest living monuments of antiquity.

The human mind, with great longing, looks back into the past, less interested in many particulars of the present, which it overlooks, and of the suture, which it enquires not after. The actions and connections, the fortune and habitations of our ancestors, the fields they walked on, their prudent conduct, and even soibles, we delight to hear recited, with an interested attention. The fields on which Cæsar, Alexander, and Fingal sought their battles; the

the ruins of antient Rome, Carthage, Athens, or Palmyra; the contents of Herculaneum, a Grecian temple, an Egyptian pyramid, or Druidical circle; inspire the mind of every visitant with the ardent enthusiasm of inquiry, and a multitude of sorrowful thoughts on the instability of the highest temporal grandeur, which, attended by a pleasing melancholy, leaves the mind calmly pensive, and gently perplex-But when I look back into the former times of the Gael, whose history a native might be supposed more immediately fond of, finding it so much involved in obscurity, or suppressed and obliterated by the policy of a neighbouring monarch, I could fit down and weep over its fall, execrating the policy of usurping invaders, ever destructive to letters, humanity, and its rights,

There are not, however, wanting, at this day, proofs sufficient to shew the Gael were once a very considerable people. As late as the Roman invasion, all that part of Britain north of the Tweed and Solway Frith, with feveral counties of South Britain, and all Ireland, with the adjacent islands, was inhabited by the Gael. When the Romans retired, and ceased to be a people, other invaders infested their coasts. The Danes, at different times, either invaded or conquered different parts of Britain, and as often were repulfed. The Saxons, however, hav. ing gained a fettlement on the eaftern coasts of South and North Britain, the Gael by degrees retreated to the north and western parts of Albin, as their invaders, the Scoti of the Low Countries, gained ground. The

The different kingdoms of England, after some time, uniting and forming one great monarchy, became too powerful for the inhabitants of the Low Countries of Scotland, and obliged the Gael and the Gaill, or the strangers of the Low Countries, for the general fecurity, likewife to become one, in opposition to the English. The seat of government, which fled before the Romans to the west and the islands, where the Palladium had hitherto remained fecure, at this period having no enemy north of the Tweed, was removed to Scoone, afterwards to Dunfermling, thence to Edinburgh, and at last is arrived at West. minster. The Kings of Scotland, with the court, now residing in those parts where a dialect of the Saxon was fpoken, and having in times of peace greater intercourse with the English, the Scots at length became the court language. From this period we may date the decline of the Galic.

All charters, deeds, records, and laws were now written in Latin or Scots. And the monasteries being pillaged by Edward, whatever was valuable in literature was entirely lost. Ireland, which hitherto was subjected by no foreign lord, nor distressed by the encroachments of a neighbouring state, except some temporary invasions by the Danes, quietly enjoyed the use of its laws, language, and liberties. It was at this juncture that the Irish Seanachies and annalists (when the Scots having thrown off their extorted allegiance to England, their annals and records being irrecoverably destroyed by Edward, wished to have some account of their own origin)

English

gin) invented their hyperbolic and incredible Milefian expedition from Egypt and Spain to Ireland, and thence to Scotland by the promontories of Galloway and Ceantire. Fordun, having no other materials, at once adopted this fystem, which gained univerfally in Scotland, until the ingenious Mr Macpherson published his Introduction to the Hiltory of Great Britain and Ireland, Wolft Roman learning, by the medium of a dialect of the Saxon, now flourished in Scotland, the Galic and Roman in some degree grew together in Ireland, which, for some centuries, was deemed the greatest school for learning in Europe. There setters and learned men, from all countries, found a fecure retreat and afylum. Its happy fituation, however, did not perpetuate these bleffings. Ireland was invaded by the Danes, and, in a subsequent age, made subject to the Kings of England. Though there were English colonies in Ireland, the Gael of that country enjoyed their own laws and customs till the reigns of Elizabeth and James I. when the English laws were univerfally chablished. Then, for the first time, the Galic ceased to be spoken by the chiefs of families, and at court; and English schools were erected, with Aricl injunctions, that the vernacular language should no longer be spoken in these seminaries. This is the reason why the Iberno-Galic has more MSS. and books than the Caledonian. In Scotland there has been a general destruction of antient records and books, which Ireland escaped. It enjoyed its own laws and language till a later date, whilft the Scots-

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English very early became the established language in North Britain.

In this situation I found the Galic, with few books, and fewer MSS. in the living voice of many thousands who entirely neglected it. The first Galic printed book ever known in Scotland, is the Irish translation of the Bible and New Testament. It underwent two impressions, one in the Irish, and the other in the Roman letter, but is now to be met with only in the libraries of the curious. Though the Bible be the common book of Christians, and to be met with in the language of every Protestant country, yet in Ireland and the Highlands of Scotland, it is at this day a curiofity. Notwithstanding that onethird of the ministers of the Church of Scotland, fince the Reformation, daily preached in Galic, fo little zeal for their own language prevailed, that the Bible is not yet translated; and it is within these ten years the New Testament has been attempted by one of their ministers. The Confession of Faith. and the Pfalms in metre, both imitations of the Irish dialect, have been translated by the Synod of Argyle; and fince, there have appeared three collections of fongs and poems, all of which, though there be merit in the composition, are, however, wretchedly orthographied. By Mr Macdonald there has been a Vocabulary published at the expence of the Society for propogating Christian Knowledge in the Highlands, in which most things are expreffed by circumlocution.

Mr Macfarlane, late minister at Killinvir, Argylethire, translated Baxter's Call to the Unconverted. He understood the Galic well, and was a Grammarian; but his poetry is more forced than natural. others, however, been equally zealous, the language would have had many books, and been better understood by those who every day speak it. But at present I much doubt whether there be four men in Scotland that would spell one page the same way; for it has hitherto been left to the caprice and judgment of every speaker, without the steadiness of analogy or direction of rules. The tafte, at this day, of the clergy, a lettered and respectable order, is to understand the English, content with what Galic enables them to translate a fermon they originally wrote in English. And although they are obliged to speak in public once in seven days, there are not five ministers in Scotland who write their discourses in their own tongue; yet there are feveral ambitious to be reputed the translators of a few lines of Galic poetry.

The improvement of the country, as well as the minds of the inhabitants, has been strangely neglected, in an age when every other country emerges from obscurity and ignorance, till some changes were forced upon them by a late law, I shall not say how politic. To see a people, naturally capable of every improvement, though once misled by ignorance, stripped of their ancient habits and customs, and deprived of the Scriptures in their own tongue, the right of Christians, never denied to the most savage. Indians

Indians, is at once a complication of inhumanity and imprudence. Better flay their bodies to fecure their affections, as Rome was wont to do with heretics to bring their fouls to heaven, than keep them in ignorance, with the expectation that, after some generations, the English manners, language, and improvements, may begin to dawn. At this day, there is no equal number of people in Britain fo useful to the flate. Upon every emergency they supply our navy with good feamen, and our armies with valiant foldiers. But strip them of their dress, language, the name and honour of Gael, and they foon dege-Their habit, language, life, and honour, they always kept or parted with at once. The honour of the name, their habit, and a Galic speech, have always inspired them more than the consecration of the colours. Government, by preferving these privileges, to them facred as their are & foci, might have at least one part of the community of whom they, on any emergency, might fay with the Roman general, " I know the tenth legion will not " defert me." From this I would infer, that the Gael should be taught to read the Scriptures in their own language, by which Popery, that ever grows in the foil of ignorance, might be for ever exterminated. Is there no Bishop Bedel, no Robert Boyle in our days?

Conceiving an early taste for Galic, on account of its peculiar beauties, when at the University, I thought, for my own private amusement, of subject-

ing it to certain rules, to be observed when I had occasion to speak it, an undertaking which, without any precedent, I thought at first impracticable.— Upon a more close attention, however to its peculiar genius, and the general philosophy of language, I found that

Nil tam difficile quod non folertia vincat;

and afterwards confidering a Galic Grammar as an addition to the stores of literature, much wished for by many both in Scotland and England, I was encouraged to persevere in attempting to do what was never done before.

On the Iberno-Galic there have been written grammars by different hands. The Scots and Irish Galic, though not radically different, are two separate dialects of the same language. The words are almost always the same, but differently orthographied. The Irish, in their grammars, have a more uncertain and various inslection in the termination, which the Scots Galic has not; and this inclines me to think the Scots is the original, and that this inslection of termination in Irish grammars is the mark of an attempt by the monks to polish it, after the manner of the Greek and Latin.

Father O'Molloy published his Grammatica Latin na-Hibernica in 12mo at Rome, 1677; and Macurtin, his Elements of the Irish, at Louvain, 1728: both of which merit only to be mentioned. There are many in MS. by various authors; but that published by the indefatigable Major Vallencia, in 1773, at Dublin, is the most satisfactory that has appeared.

In this treatise I have entirely confined myself to the Scots Galic; and think I have accounted for every phenomenon in its structure. To reduce to rule a language without books, and having no standard but the judgment of every speaker, is an undertaking perhaps adventurous; but finding the alphabet confisting of eighteen letters, in which it has hitherto been written, fo well adapted, that, with a very few combinations, every found in the language may be eafily accommodated, it remained for me, after confidering its genius, to raife this fystem on that foundation. If, nevertheless, it be found defective, it is altogether my own. I cannot, like other Grammarians, be called a compiler or transcriber; what I have delivered is the refult of attentive observati-The books I found of most use are, Harris's Hermes, Sciopius's Grammat. Philosoph. and particularly Mr Elphinston's ingenious Analysis of the English.

Being the first that has offered the public a grammatical account of the Galic, it was recommended by several persons to frame a new alphabet, consisting of letters or combinations, to express all the sounds in the language, without any mute letter. This is impracticable; but though it could be effected, it would only render the etymology more perplexing. It was recommended to write v instead of bh and

mb, and y instead of dh and gh; which if I had done. the inflections of words beginning with b and m, &c. would be indistinguishable. Thus, it could not be known whether voladh was praise, from moladh, praising; or bholadh, the dative of boladh, smell. Rejecting, for these and other reasons, all remarkable changes, I have only thrown away some useless confonants, retaining what are necessary to preferve the etymology and express the founds. Excepting words that begin with certain confonants, the initial confonant before the aspirate h, there are no silent letters in the language. Unlike the Irish, the Scots Galic delights to pronounce every letter, and is not briftled over with fo many useless and quiescent con-The English and French are infinitely more difficult to read and pronounce, and have many more filent and mute letters. In the Galic there are no fuch ugly looking words as thought, through, Grength, &c. nor found so different from what the letters at other times express. How far I may have reduced it to a fixed fystem, founded on the general philosophy of language, and its own particular genius, others must determine; I only claim the indulgence always shewn to a juvenile attempt, especially of a passage through mountains never trod before. It was not the mercenary confideration of interest, nor perhaps the expectation of fame among my countrymen, in whose esteem its beauties are too much faded, but a tafte for the beauties of the original speech of a now learned nation, that induced me either to begin, or encouraged me to persevere

in reducing to grammatical principles a language spoken only by imitation; while, perhaps, I might have been more profitably employed in tailing the various productions of men, ornaments of numant nature, afforded in a language now teeming with books. I beheld with aftonishment the learned in Scotland, fince the revival of letters, neglect the Galic; as if it was not worthy of any pen to give a rational account of a speech used upwards of two thoufand years by the inhabitants of more than one kingdom. I faw, with regret, a language once famous in the western world, ready to perish without any memorial, by the use of which Galgacus, having affembled his chiefs, rendered the Grampian Hills impassable to legions that had conquered the world; and by which Fingal inspired his warriors with the defire of immortal fame. I wished an account given to the world of a language, through which, for fo long a period, the benefits of knowledge, and the bleffings of religion were communicated to favage clans and roving barbarians, who, in past ages becoming civilized, fung the praifes of Him who taught both the tongue to found, and the thoughts to foar within the walls of the illustrious Iona.

Originally moved by these considerations, and at the request of many of the Literati, I have been encouraged to offer to the world what once I intended only for my own private use. A copy of the manuscript was desired by the Earl of Eglintoun, who has a taste for the language, as well as an attachment

to the people. I had the honour of presenting the original to his Lordship, without any expectation of its ever being published. Mr Boswell, whose manners as a gentleman, and taste for polite learning, have gained him the esteem and friendship, as well of one of the most renowned Heroes of the age, as of the learned at home, hearing from his Lordship of the existence of these sheets, obtained a perusal of them, which he afterwards left with Dr Samuel Johnson. To the advice and encouragement of Dr Johnson, the friend of letters and humanity, the Public is indebted for these sheets.

An acquaintance with the Galic, being the mothertongue of all the languages in the west, seems neceffary to every Antiquary who would fludy the affinity of languages, or trace the migrations of the ancient races of mankind. Of late it has attracted the attention of the learned in different parts of Europe; and shall its beauties be neglected by those who have opportunities, from their infancy, of understanding it? Antiquity being the taste of the age, fome acquaintance with the Galic begins justly to be The language deemed a part of the Belles Lettres. that boasts of the finished character of Fingal, must richly reward the curiofity of whoever studies it. this Sir James Foulis is a rare instance, who, in advanced years, has learned to read and write it; and now drinks of the Pierian spring untainted, by reading fragments of Poetry in Fingal's own language.

KVIII INTRODUCTION.

If in these sheets I have afforded any gratification for curiosity, or any help to the Gael, in the improvement and study of the language of their infant years, or prevented its dying without even a sigh, I shall think my labour well bestowed, and every attending trouble amply compensated.

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BOOK I.

CHAP. I.

ORTHOGRAPHY.

N the Scots Galic are only eighteen letters, viz. a, b, c, d, e, f, g, b, i, l, m, n, o, p, r, f, t, u, divided into vowels and confonants. The Irish * wrote their dialect of the Celtic with these characters:

Qla, bb, Cc, 88, ee. Fr, 85, 11, It, 02m, Nn. Oo, Pp, Rn, Sr. Tc. Uur, hh.

The vowels are five, a, e, i, o, u, and are either broad or small: a, o, u, are broad, e and i are small.

See Major Valencia's Grammar of the Irith.

CHAP. II.

Of the Sounds of the Vorels.

A is founded as with the Latins, broad; or as in the English words fall, tall, call; thus, mall, slow; dall, blind; cam, crooked; aran, bread.

Ao is founded as u in the French une; thus, aon, one, une; aonach, a fair or market, unach.

O is read as in the English lord, opposite; thus, olc, evil; donn, dun; mor, great; morachd, majesty: it is sometimes pronounced as in the French foret, Latin forum, and English glory; so fonn, a tune; tonn, a wave; tom, a bush.

U is founded as so in the English good, fool; so fudar, powder; udal, distress; ur, new, &c.; some pronounce it as the consonant v in uam, saying vuam. It is changed into V in the proper name Walter, for we say Valtair.

E is pronounced as the Greek epfilon; thus, edal, a treasure. It is feldom alone in a fyllable, but is generally followed by a, u, or i, and so forms a diphthong.

É, the pronoun he, is founded broad, like eta in the Greek, or as e in the English, fellow, prunella.

I has its natural found, as the Latin filius, or the

French fils, and the English feel; so innis, an island; imigh, to go.

C H A P. III.

Of the Consonants.

B before h founds v; thus, leanabh, a child, is read leanav; leabhar, a book, leavar; labhairt, speaking, lavairt.

C is equivalent to k in English, as cos, a foot; cothrom, just; ceart, right.

The pronunciation of the c, in some parts of the continent and islands, like chg, is certainly a corruption. Some dialects in Scotland still give it the natural sound of k, and so the Irish universally pronounce it. If there be no real difference between chg and c, why should they write uchd or uchg, the breast, and not uc; lochd, harm, and not loc; naomhachd, and not naomhac, since they write mac, but pronounce it machd, breacan, yet pronounce it breachgan, and focal, but pronounce it fochgal? The Irish rightly write lochd, uchd, naomhachd, &c. and pronounce them so; and breacan, mac, and focal, and pronounce breakan, mak, and fokal.

D before and after e and i is founded as g in the proper name George; thus, dilis, dear, is pronounced as if jeelish; plaid, a plaid or mantle, is pronounced pladge, or as the syllable plaid in the French plaideur;

Dia, God, Jeea. After the broad vowels a, o, u, it is founded with the palate, as da, two; do, to him; dubh, black. D before h and after i in the termination of a word is mute, as buanidh, a reaper, fgriobhidh, will write; but dh in the beginning or middle of a word is pronounced as y in the English words you, your, yellow, yawl; thus, dhuit, to thee, is pronounced yuit; dh'ol, to drink, is nearly yawl. The termination adh is pronounced as awy in the word lawyer.

F before h is filent, as an fhoid, of the turf, we fay an hoid; in other respects the same as in English.

C is founded as in the word grow.

- 1. Note, however, that agh in the beginning or termination of a word is read like y in you, yawl; as, ghabh, I took, is founded yabh, gradhughadh, loving, grayachay, (the ay being as awy in lawyer,) though the termination adh is founded a only.
- 2. Agh, ugh, are properly read in the middle of words ach, uch, or ax, vx, according to the Greek.

M before h, or mh, founds v, as lamh, a hand, lav; claidhamh, a fword, clayav; mh is mute in the pronoun dhamh, to me, and fometimes in the middle of words, though always written.

S before and after e and i is equivalent to sh in English;

English; thus feol, a sail, sheol; innis, an island, innish; eisd, hearken, eishd—Before and after a, o, u,
the same as in English: thus, tanas, an apparition;
aslin, a dream; sugan, a rope; soillair, clear; the
pronoun so, this, pronounced sho, only excepted. S
before h in the beginning of a word is always mute;
as shiubhal mi, I went; hiubhal mi*.

P. pb is founded f in the beginning of a word; phobul, to a people; phofadh, to marry; phogadh, to kifs.

T is founded with the palate, but fofter than in English. It is also mute before h; thus, cruth, a form or shape, cruh; thuit, he fell, huit; thog, he lifted, hog.

L, N, R, are immutable confonants, and never have the aspirate h after them in the past tenses of verbs, and the inflected cases of nouns, as the other letters, but seem then to be pronounced as if reduplicated; thus, leabh, I read, lleabh; nairich, he affronted, nnairich; reub, he tore, rreub.

Sg, fr, sp, st, do not obtain the h in the beginning of a word, but tr does, as treoruidh, direct thou; threoruigh, he directed.

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^{*} The late Rev. Mr. Macfarlane, who, of all the Highland Ministers, best understood the Orthography of the Galic, has, however, committed a very glaring mistake with regard to the letter S; he always writes leift, shibh, shin, sho, instead of leis, sibh, sin, so.

Gn and cn in the beginning of words are often pronounced gr and cr; thus, gnuis, the countenance, is gruis; cnaimb, a bone, craimb; baimonn, female, bairinn.

C H A P. IV.

Of Diphthongs.

DIPHTHONGS are twelve, viz. ao, ae, ai, ea, ei, eo, eu, ia, io, iu, oi, ua.

Ai is founded as ai in the French travailler, to labour; thus, pailtas, plenty; caill, a loss; faidh, a prophet; ait, a place; aitas, gladness, &c.

Ea is founded like ea in the English bear, to bring; bear, the wild beast; as feachran, an error; mear, chearful, sportive; fear, a man; bean, a woman; feanduine, an old man; feart, authority. Sometimes like ea in the proper name Lear, and the verb fear; so fearr, better; mearlach, a thief; feachd, forces.

Ei founds like ai in the word failor, fail, or a in pale, tale, male, &c. so eifd, hearken; teine, fire; fein, self; eiram, I rise; geimnach, lowing.

Eo founds as eo in the word pigeon; fo ceol, mufic; feol, a fail; beo, alive.

In the diphthong eu the u ferves only to lengthen

the fignification or found of e; as ceusadh, a crucifixion, may be orthographied ceisadh; or as the e in female; beus, habit; beul, a mouth.

Ia has both letters heard in one fyllable; thus, Dia is one fyllable; Diadhachd, divinity, is but two; and Diadomhnaich, Sunday, three fyllables.

O! molaibh Dia, oir 'ta é maith!

Iu is founded like oe in shoe, or ew in stew; thus, iul, a guide, is read ewl; siubhalam, I go or pass, shewvalam; ciuil, of music, cewl; fiu, worthy, few; siucar, sugar, shewcar.

Io is pronounced like an i long, or ee in English; as in feel, fees, lees; or i in the French Sire, silence, &c. as anios, up; fios, knowledge; fior, true; sioridh, for ever; ionnas, treasure.

Oi is founded like oi in oil, foil, foil, -oigh, a virgin; coill, a wood; moidhach, an hare; foighdair, a foldier.

Ua has both vowels pronounced in one fyllable; fo fuar, cold; fuas, up; anuas, down; ruadh, red; ag tuar, foreboding, &c.

In ui, the u is long and i heard, or founded like oo in fool, good, food; fo fuil, blood; fuil, the eye; euil, of the back; muill, of chaff, &c.

CHAP. V.

Of Triphthongs.

THERE are these five triphthongs, aoi, eoi, eai, iui, uai; the two first vowels of which are of the diphthongs already mentioned, sound the same, and the third vowel is heard; as in these words, aois, age; maoisach, a sallow-deer or doe; feoil, sless, same, audder or helm; iuil, of a guide; uait, from thee; duais, a reward; cluais, of an ear.

The above observations with regard to orthography will, I apprehend, with the assistance of a few books, not only be sufficient to preserve this copious and expressive language, but make a stranger better acquainted with it in one month, than he could be with the English or French in six, by consulting all that has been written on either of these subjects.

We will now give a small collection of words divided into syllables, for the use and practice of the Reader, writing the same in an opposite column, spelled according to assistance taken from, and reference made to, the French and English, to express their sounds. Let this mark * distinguish French-like syllables, and this \(\psi\) the English.

| An-eo-lach, | * + ain-eo-lach, | ignorant. | |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| Ainm-ol, | ainm-ol, | renowned. | |
| Cint-ach, | cint-ach, | fure. | |
| Diomh-an-ach, | jeev-an-ach, | idle. | |
| Deas-fhoc-lach, | jeas-oc-lach, | witty. | |
| Mio-chard-ol, | mee-char-jol, | unfriendly. | |
| Eud-mhor, | aid-vor, | jealous. | |
| Aidh-ear-ach, | ay-ar-ach, | glad. | |
| Aol-tigh, | aol-toy, | a college. | |
| Sgiob-al-te, | Sgee-bal-ta, | neat, tight. | |
| Di-cia-daoine, | jee-cia-daogne, | Wednesday. | |
| Ball-leath-air, | ball-lea-ir, | a goff-ball. | |
| Sgoth-long, | fcoh-long, | a yacht. | |
| Cain-adh, | caign-ay, | scandalizing. | |
| Feoirn an, | feoir-nan, | a straw. | |
| Sdiuir-adh, | stew-ray, | steering at the | |
| Fuaidh-al, | foy-al, | helm. fewing. | |
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These words comprehend most of the sounds in the language, and are pretty nearly expressed as marked in the second column.

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BOOK I:

CHAP. I.

OF ETYMOLOGY,

Of Nouns Substantive.

HE parts of speech are eight—Noun, Pronoun, Verb, Participle, Adverb, Preposition, Interjection, Conjunction.

The Genders are two, Masculine and Feminine; that is, e or i, he or she.

Since the Galic language personisies every object, inanimate as well as animate, the distinction of gender is the principal difficulty; and this is what renders the Gael's first attempts to speak English so ridiculous,

diculous, every substantive being either e or i, that is, he or she. Neither termination (except that all nouns in og and ag are seminine), nor any other circumstance but immediate distinction of sex, and custom, can determine the gender. They talk of a stone, a spoon, a window, a siddle, a shoe, a hat, a chair, and a knife, as a she; but a stocking, a coat, a stool, a fork, as he or it. Nouns, however, having a alone in the last syllable, before one or more final consonants, are generally masculine; as, aodan, a face; abhar, a cause; cogadh, war, &c.

Nouns having o in the last syllable are generally masculine; as, corp, a body; ceo, mist; bord, a board; bonn, the sole, or base of any thing.

Nouns which have a diphthong in termination, the last vowel of which is broad, are generally masculine; as, beul, a month; meall, an heap; gaoth, the wind, &c.

Nouns which have a diphthong in termination, the last vowel of which is slender, are feminine; as, uine, time; uair, an hour; cuis, an affair; compailt, a company, &c.

Agents in air and oir are masculine; all nouns in og and ag are seminine.

The Numbers are two, Singular and Plural; as, moidhach, a hare; moidhaich, hares; fiadh, a deer; feidh, deer.

There are fix Cases, Nominative, Genitive, Dative, Accusative, Vocative, and Ablative—in Galic, Ainminach, Geinmheanach, Tabhartach, Gioranach, Cairminach, and Diobhalach.

The Declenfions are two.

- 1. Nouns of the first declension have the nominative plural like their genitive singular; as, moid-hach, a hare; genitive, moidhaich, of a hare; nominative plural, moidhaich, hares.
- 2. Nouns of the second declension have their nominative plural in a or an; as, cretoir, an animal; plural, cretoira, or cretoiran, animals. At the same time, every noun is either definite or indefinite, that is, declined with or without the article. Indefinitely thus, moidhach, a hare; definitely, am moidhach, the hare; cretoir, an animal; an cretoir, the animal.

The Article.

| Singular. | | Plural. | |
|-------------|------------------|----------|----------|
| . Mafc. | Fem. | Mafc. | Fem. |
| N. an, | an, (or) a'. | na, | na. |
| G. an, | na. | nan, | nan. |
| D. do'n, | do'n. | do na, | do na. |
| A. an, | an (or) a'. | na, | na. |
| V. o! an, | o! an. | o! na, | o! na. |
| A. leis an, | leis an (or) a'. | leis na, | leis na. |
| Anns an, | anns an (or) | anns na, | anns na. |

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The article an masculine of the nominative and accufative fingular, is changed to am before nouns beginning with f, b, and p, if the noun be masculine. If the noun begins with a vowel, the letter t is prefixed in the nominative and accufative; as, an t ord, the hammer; if with an s, as flat, a rod or wand, an t flat, the s being filent. Nan of the genitive plural before f, b, p, is changed to nam; before a noun beginning with a c or g, is founded as if the last n were joined to the g; as nan ceum, of the steps, na nceum; nan cos, as if na ncos. When the noun is masculine, and begins with an f, the euphonic t is retained in the genitive, dative, and ablative fingular; as, faol, the world, genitive, an t faoil; dative, d'on t faol; ablative, leis an t faol : but if feminine, it is retained throughout the whole fingular, except the genitive case; as, nominative, an t flat, the wand; dative, do'n t flat; accusative, an t flat; vocative, o' an t flat; ablative, leis an t flat. But this is only when it is definitely declined.

General Rules.

The Nominative and Accusative are always alike in both numbers.

Do is the fign of the dative; le or leis of the ablative.

All definite names have the article; indefinites have not.

The flection of a Celtic noun does not, like a Greek noun, consist in an inflected article and termination only; nor a Roman noun, with its termination inflected; nor like the French, English, or Italian, in particles; nor yet like a * Hebrew noun, in syntax; but is declined definitely, with an article, a change of the vowel or diphthong of its termination, and by introducing the aspirate h after the initial consonant. Thus, am moidhach, the hare; genitive, an mhoidhach, of the hare; dative, do'n mhoidhach, to the hare, &c. or indefinitely, dative, do' mhoidhach, to a hare; genitive, moidhaich, of a hare.

A Forma, or Scheme, shewing the Changes of the mutable Consonants in the Inflection both of Nouns and Verbs.

b - bh, which founds like v in English.

c-ch, always a guttural found.

d-dh, resembles y in English.

f—fb, in which f is filent; do, the fign of the dative in nouns and past tenses of verbs beginning with f, is

E best

^{*} At casus non actu, sed potestate, hic sunt, id est, non diversarum terminationum, sed ex structura sermonis; neque etiam articulis aut notis discernuntur, sed omnino ex syntaxi di judicandi sunt. Buxt. Gram. Heb.

best wrote thus, fianuis, a witness; dative, dfhianuis, to a witness; fiosrucham, I inquire; dfhiosruich mi, I inquired; f is silent, dh sounded like y; thus, yesruich mi.

g—gh, like dh, refembles y.

1—— l feems to found like ll; so labhram, I fpeak; labhair mi, I spake; llabhair mi.

m—mh, founds like v, but more labial than bh.

The reader who understands Galic may prove this
by comparing the words lamb and labhair.

n-like l feems as if reduplicated.

p-ph founds like f.

r___ like n and l, seems reduplicated.

f—fb, of which f is mute, and h has its full force.

t-th, of which t is filent and h founded.

Example of a Noun of the first Declension, Indefinite, and of the Masculine Gender.

Singular.

N. Moidhach, a hare.

G. Moidhaich, of a hare.

D. Do mhoidhach, to a hare.

A. Moidhach, a hare.

V. Mhoidhaich! O hare!

A. Le moidhach, with a hare.

Plural.

N. Moidhaich, hares.

G. Mhoidhach, of hares.

D. Do mhoidhaich, to hares.

A. Moidhaich, hares.

V. Mhoidhaich! O hares!

A. Le mhoidhaich, with hares.

Definitely, or with the Article.

Singular.

N. Am moidhach, the hare.

G. A' mhoidhaich, of the hare.

D. Do'n mhoidhach, to the hare.

A. Am moidhach, the hare.

V. O am moidhach! O the hare!

A. Leis a' mhoidhach, with the hare.

Plural.

N. Na moidhaich, the hares.

G. Nam moidhach, of the hares.

D. Do na moidhaich, to the hares.

A. Na moidhaich, the hares.

V. O na moidhaich! O the hares!

A. Leis na moidhaich, with the hares.

The most common terminations of this declension are, adh, ach, and all patronymicks and gentiles which end in ach; as, Albanach, a Scotsman; Eirinach, an Irishman; Muilack, an Isle of Mull Man; Boidach, a Bute Man; Arrunach, an Arran man; Lochlunach,

Lochlunach, a Dane; Francach, a Frenchman: Spainach, a Spainard; Feudailtach, an Italian; Caimbeulach, a Campbell; Stuartach, a Stuart; Friofalach, a Fraser: Grantach, a Grant; Gordanach, a Gordon; Donalach, a Macdonald, &c. In the plural, Albanaich, Eirinaich, Muilaich, Boidaich, Arrunaich, Lochlunaich, Francaich, Spainaich, Feudailtaich, Caimbeulaich, Stuartaich, Friosalaich, Grantaich, Gordanaich, Donalaich, &c. Scotimen, Irishmen, Mullmen, Butemen, Arranmen, Danes, French, Spaniards, Italians, Campbells, Stuarts, Frasers, Grants, Gordons, Macdonalds, &c. Some end in an; as, fuaran, a spring; fuarain, springs; -fome in ull; as capull, a mare, capuil: - some in adh, such as, cruinuchadh, a congregation, cruinuchaidh; sioladh, a fyllable, fiolaidh; fluagh, an host, floigh:and some in as; as, iongantas, a wonder, iongantais; neual, a cloud, has nevil; eun, a bird, evin; cnoc, a hill, cnoic; mac, a fon, mic; tarbh, a bull, tairbh; cliabh, a balker, cleabh. Nouns which have their nominative plural the fame as their genitive fingular, are also of this declenfion. There are many nouns used by provincialists in the plural of both declensions; such as, mairt, or marta, cattle, kine; cuirp or corpa, bodies, &c.

The Rev. Mr Macfarlane, in his translations and pfalms, uniformly uses ibh in the dative and ablative plural; which I think too much resembles the Irish dialect. Do na Muilaichibh, leis na Caimbeulaichibh, would have a harsh found to any provincialist of Scotland.

Of the Singular Indefinite of both Declenfions.

The Genitive singular indefinite is formed by putting an *i* after the last vowel of the nominative; as, fuaran, a spring; genitive, fuarain. But if the nown has *i* in the nominative, the same is the genitive; as, cuisse, a vein; genitive, cuisse, of a vein: crios, a girdle; genitive, crios.

Nouns in iabh and iath change ia into ea in the genitive, as fliabh, a mountain; genitive fleabh, of a mountain: cliabh, a basket, the chest or breast; genitive, cleabh: sgiath, a wing: genitive, sgeath, of a wing: Dia, God; genitive, Dea.

Nouns in iar and ial form ei in the genitive; as, cial, wisdom, ceil; ciar, ceir. Those in ean, eal, eac, change the diphthong ea into i in the genitive; as ceann, a head; genitive, cinn, of a head: meall, an heap; genitive, mill: leac, a slate; genitive, lic.

Monofyllables beginning with an a or o, change them into ui in the genitive; as alt, a joint; genitive uilt, of a joint: ord, a hammer; genitive uird: bonn, a base or coin; genitive, buinn.

Nouns in ta, de, ca, pa, have the genitive like the nominative; as, cota, a coat; cloica, a clock; colpa, the leg; plaide, a plaid.

Monofyllables having a, o, or u after an initial confonant, change these into ul in the genitive; as ball, a ball, or any member of the body, a place; genitive, buill: moll, chaff; genitive, muill: cul, the back; genitive, cuil.

The Dative singular is formed from the Nominative, by putting the letter b after the initial consonant, and prefixing the sign do; as, moidhach, a hare; dative, do mhoidhach: cretoir, an animal; dative, do chretoir.

When the Nominative begins with a vowel, dh prefixed is the fign of the dative; as ord, a hammer; dative, dh'ord: oran, a fong; dative, dh'oran.

The Vocative is formed from the genitive, by putting h after the initial confonant; as, genitive, moidhaich: vocative, mhoidhaich; cretoir, of an animal; vocative, chretoir, O animal!

If the noun begins with a vowel, the vocative is like the genitive; as genitive, uird; vocative uird: Eoin, of John, John's; vocative, Eoin, O John!

Of the Plural of the first Declension, indefinitely.

Nouns in adh, ach, an, ull, which are the most common terminations of this declension, and some monosyllables, have their nominative plural like the genitive singular; as cruinuchadh; genitive, cruinuchaidh; nominative plural, cruinuchaidh: genitive, moidhaich; nominative plural, moidhaich: genitive, fuarain; nominative plural, fuarain; capuill, of a mare; nominative plural, capuill, mares.

The Genitive has h after the initial consonant; as mhoidhach, chruinuchadh, fhuaran, chapull.

 $D_{\mathbf{v}}$

Do bhrat lan shraddag daimond Do bhraon ni soils' air lar *.

If the Nominative singular begins with a vowel or diphthong, the genitive plural is the same; as fuaim ord, the noise of hammers.

The Vocative plural of this declention is the fame as the vocative fingular; mhoidhaich, O hare! mhoidhaich, hares!

The Dative is formed by adding the h flection to to the nominative plural; moidhaich; do mhoidhaich.

Of Definites of the first Declension.

The Genitive singular definite of nouns in adh, ach, &c. of this declension, is formed from the vocative singular indefinite, by putting the article an or a' before it; as vocative indefinite, mhoidhaich; genitive definite, a' mhoidhaich, of the hare; eoin, O bird! an eoin, of the bird.

But if the noun be of the feminine, h is thrown away, and its feminine article put before it; as vocative indefinite, ghealaich, O moon! genitive definite, na gealaich, of the moon.

Nouns

^{*} Macdonald's Alt an t fiucair, a most beautiful Descrip-

Nouns beginning with the immutable confonants l, n, r, never admit the flection h; as leabhair, of a book; definite, an leabhair, of the book, &c.

The Dative definite is like the dative indefinite, having the article before it; as, do mhoidhach; definite, do'n mhoidhach, to the hare. If the noun begins with a d or t, the h is omitted; as, do'n damh, do'n tarbh.

The Vocative is like the nominative; as, am moidhach, O am moidhach 3

Of the second Declension Indefinite.

Masculine Gender. Singular Number.

- N. Cretoir, an animal.
- G. Cretoir, of an animal.
- D. Do chretoir, to an animal.
- A. Cretoir, an animal.
- V. O! chretoir, O animal!
- A. Le cretoir, with an animal.

Plural.

- N. Cretoira, or cretoiran, animals.
- G. Chretoira, of animals.
- D. Do chretoira, to animals.
- A. Cretoira, animals.
- V. O chretoira! O animals!
- A. Le cretoira, with animals.

Definitely.

Singular.

N. An cretoir, the animal.

G. A' chretoir, of the animal.

D. Do'n chretoir, to the animal.

A. An cretoir, the animal.

V. O an cretoir! O the animal!

A. Leis an chretoir, with the animal.

Plural.

N. Na cretoira, the animals.

G. Nan cretoira, of the animals.

D. Do na cretoira, to the animals.

A. Na cretoira, the animals.

V. O na cretoira! O the animals!

A. Leis na cretoira, with the animals.

Indefinitely.

Singular.

N. Offag, a blaft.

G. Offaig, of a blaft.

D. Dh' offag, to a blaft.

A. Offag, a blaft.

V. Offaig, O blaft!

A. Le offag, with a blaft.

Plural.

N. Offaga, blafts.

G. Offaga, of blafts.

D. Dh' offaga, to blafts.

A. Offaga, blafts.

V. Offaiga, O blafts!
A. Le offaga, with blafts.

Definitely.

Singular.

N. An offag, the blaft.

G. Na h offaig, of the blaft.

D. Do'n offag, to the blaft.

A. An offag, the blaft.

V. 0! an offag, O the blaft!

A. Leis an offag, with the blaft.

Plural.

N. Na h offaga, the blafts.

G. Nan offaga, of the blafts.

D. Do na h offaga, to the blafts.

A. Na h offaga, the blafts.

V. O! n b offaga, O the blafts!

A. Leis na h offaga, with the blafts.

All other nouns, except those noted of the first, are of this declension, the most common terminations of which are these, ad, aid, air, ar, eir, ir, or; some in an; also ill, il, os, ath, unt, iu, og, ag, in, ain, uirt, ub, uth, is, eis, idh.

Of Definites of the Second Declension.

So much having been faid under the first declenfion, and the difference of the second being so small, little remains to be observed here; I shall therefore only note a few particulars of the second. If the Noun be of the feminine gender, the genitive definite is formed from the indefinite, by prefixing the article na; as, cois, of a foot; genitive definite, na cois, of the foot. And if the noun feminine begins with a vowel, the letter h is prefixed, to shun the hiatus; thus, ailne, beauty; genitive definite, na h ailne, of the beauty: eagnai, wisdom; genitive definite, na h eagnai, of the wisdom.

Nouns beginning with the immutable confonants l, n, r, do not admit of the flection h; fo rinnag, a star; genitive, rinnaig, of a star; definite, na rinnaig, of the star.

Of the Plural definite of both Declenfions.

All nouns of this declension have their nominative plural in a or an; and when the word following begins with a vowel, rather in an; fo laoidh, an hymn, laoidha, hymns; treud, a flock, treuda; ionad, a place, ionada; palluin, a temple or palace, palluina; dorus, a door, doruisa, contracted dorsa; namhaid, an enemy, namhaida, contracted naimhda; coinnal, a candle, coinnlan, by elifion of the a; crioch, an end, or the limits of any thing, criocha; eigh, a virgin, eigha; machair, a field, machaira; muc, a fow, muca; anam, a foul, anama; claidhamh, a fword, claidhamha; targaid, a target, targaida; lamb, an hand, lamba; beannachd, a bleffing, or compliments, beannachda; triobloid, trouble, triobloda; cloch, a flone, clocha; craobh, a tree, craobha; carruig, a rock, carruiga; piobair,

piobair, a piper, piobaira; fiadhnuis, a witness, fiadhnuisa; offag, a blast, offaga; sguab, a sheaf, sguaba; uinog, a window, uinoga; gaoth, the wind, gaotha.

The genitive definite plural of nouns of the first declension is formed by prefixing nam, or nan, the article, to the nominative singular indefinite: of the second, by prefixing it to its nominative plural, and sometimes the termination is dropt; as, moidhach, nam moidhach, cretoira, nan cretoira.

Some Nouns ending in a in the fingular, change a into icha or in in the plural; as cota, a coat, coticha, cotin; plaid, a plaid, plaidicha, plaidin; uisge, has sometimes uisge, oftener uisgicha; eige, a web, eigicha; leine, a shirt, leintach, leintin; sliabh, a mountain, sleabhte. The terminations idh, and ich, have icha; as, buanidh, a reaper, buanicha; ramhich, a rower, ramhicha.

Proper Names are thus declined:

N. Ceantir, Kintyre.

G. Chintir, of Kintyre.

D. Do Cheantir, to Kintyre,

A. Ceantir, Kintyre.

V. Chintir, O Kintyre!

A. Le Ceantir, with Kintyre.

N. Offian, Offian.

G. Offiain, of Offian.

D. Dh' Offian, to Offian,

A. Offian, Offian.

V. Offiain! O Offian!

A. Le Offian, with Offian.

N. Treunmor, Trenmore.

G. Threinmhoir, of Trenmore.

D. Do Threunmor, to Trenmore:

A. Treunmor, Trenmore.

V. Threinmhoir! O Trenmore!

A. Le Treunmor, with Trenmore.

Proper names of places are Feminine,

Irregulars.

Indefinite.

Singular.

N. Bean, a woman.

G. Mna, of a woman.

D. Do bhean, do mhnaoi, to a woman.

A. Bean, a woman.

V. Bhean! O woman!

A. Le bean, le mnaoi, with a woman.

Plural.

Mnan, women.

Mhnan, of women.

Domhnan, to women,

Mnan, women.

O! mbnan! O women!

Lemnan, with women.

Fuil, blood, has fola in the genitive; feoil, flesh, has feola; dutchich, a country, ducha; and leaba, a bed, has leape, by way of interchange. Dutchich in the plural has duchana; leabe has leapucha; baile, a town,

has bailte; mile, a mile, or a thousand, has milte; and ni, a thing, has nithe; and fine, a nation, family, clan, or tribe, has finacha; gniomh, a deed, gniomha, and gniomhara.

CHAP. II.

Of Adjectives.

As the flection that a Noun Substantive undergoes in the singular, is the introduction of an i into the termination (if there be more than one syllable), and putting the aspirate h after the initial confonant; the same flection must the adjective undergo to agree with its substantive. On the concord of adjectives and substantives, the following observations are to be considered:

- an in the plural, the adjective agreeing with that case, has no b aspirate nor slection in its own termination; as, na claidbamba mor, the broad swords; na paisdan beg, the little children. The same holds good, when any case of nouns of the first declension is changed to an or a; as for, na fuarain, na fuarana, &c.
- 2d. The h aspirate of the substantive noun is re-

as, moidhaich moir, of a great hare; definite, a' mhoidhaich mhoir, of the great hare.

3d. Nouns of the first declension have the h flection in the plural; but never any in termination.

Example of an Adjective and Substantive of the first Declension. Indefinite.

Singular.

- N. Moidhach mor, a large hare.
- G. Moidhaich mor, of a large hare. .
- D. Do mhoidhach mhor, to a large hare.
- A. Moidhach mor, a large hare.
- V. Mhoidhaich mhoir, O large hare!
- A. Le moidhach mor, with a large hare.

Plural.

- N. Moidhaich mhor, large hares.
- G. Mhoidhach mhor, of large hares.
- D. Do mhoidhaich mhor, to large hares.
- A. Moidhaich mhor, large hares.
- V. Mhoidhaich mhor, O large hares!
- A. Le moidhaich mhor, with large hares.

Definite.

Singular.

- N. Am moidhach mor, the large hare.
- G. A' mhoidhaich mhoir, of the large hare.

- D. Do'n mhoidhach mhor, to the large hare.
- A. Am moidhach mor, the large hare.
- V. O am moidhach mor! O the large hare!
- A. Leis a' mhoidhach mhor, with the large hare.

Plural.

- N. Na moidhaich mhor, the large hares.
- G. Nam moidbach mor, of the large hares.
- D. Do na moidhaich mhor, to the large hares.
- A. Na moidhaich mhor, the large hares.
- V. O na moidhaich mhor! O the large hares!
- A. Leis na moidhaich mhor, with the large hares,

Examples of the second Declension.

Singular.

- N. Cretoir maifach, an handsome animal.
- G. Cretoir maisaich, of an handsome animal.
- D. Do chretoir mhaifach, to an handsome animal.
- A. An cretoir maisach, an handsome animal.
- V. Chretoir mhaifaich! O handsome animal!
- A. Le cretoir maisach, with an handsome animal.

Plural.

- N. Cretoira maisach, handsome animals.
- G. Chretoira maisach, of handsome animals.
- D. Do chretoira maisach, to handsome animals.
- A. Cretoira maifach, handsome animals.
- V. Chretoira maisach! O bandsome animals!
- A. Le cretoira maisach, with handsome animals.

Definitely.

Singular.

- N. An cretoir maisach, the handsome animal.
- G. A chretoir mhaisaich, of the handsome animal.
- D. Do'n chretoir mhaisach, to the handsome animal.
- A. An cretoir maifach, the handsome animal.
- V. O an cretoir maisach! O the handsome animal!
- A. Leis a' chretoir mhaifach, with the handsome

Plural.

- N. Na cretoira maisach, the handsome animals.
- G. Nan cretoira maisach, of the handsome animals.
- D. Do na cretoir a maifach, to the handsome animals.
- A. Na cretoira maisach, the handsome animals.
- V. O na cretoira maifach! O the handsome animals!
- A. Leis na cretoira maisach, with the handsome animals.

A Noun Feminine and an Adjective.

Singular.

- N. Offag mhor, a great blaft.
- G. Offaig moir, of a great blaft.
- D. Dh' offag mhor, to the great blaft.
- A. Offag mbor, a great blaft.
- V. Offaig mhoir! O great blaft!
- A. Le offag mhor, with a great blaft,

Plural.

N. Osfaga mor, great blafts.

G. Osfaga mor, of great blafts.

D. Dh' offaga mor, to great blafts.

A. Offaga mor, great blafts.

V. Offaga mor ! O great blafts!

A. Le offaga mor, with great blafts.

Definite.

Singular.

N. An offag mhor, the great blaft.

G. Na h offaig moir, of the great blaft.

D. Do'n offag mhor, to the great blaft.

A. An offag mhor, the great blaft.

V. O an offag mhor! O the great blast!

A. Leis an offag mhor, with the great blaft.

Plural.

N. Na h offaga mor, the great blafts.

G. Nan ossaga mor, of the great blafts.

D. Do na b offaga mor, to the great blafts.

A. Na h offaga mor, the great blafts.

V. O na h offaga mor! O the great blafts!

A. Leis na h offaga mor, with the great blafts.

Of Comparison.

THERE are three degrees of Comparison; the Positive, Comparative, and Superlative.

The Comparative is formed from the genitive singular indefinite of the positive; i. e. by making the last vowel an i, and adding e to the positive; thus, laidir, strong; genitive indefinite, laidir; comparative, laidire, stronger; luachmhor, precious; genitive indefinite, luachmhoir; comparative, luachmhoire, more precious: dubh, black; duibhe, blacker: geal, white; comparative, gile, whiter. It is resolved by no, than, the conjunction.

The Superlative is like the Comparative, and is distinguished only by the words that follow, and are governed by it; as, laidire agibh, the strongest of you; luach-mhoire dhin, the most precious of us; duibhe acca, blackest of them; gile aginne, the whitest of us; maissiche am measg an t sluaigh, hand-somest among the people. The particle ro put before any adjective is equal to the English very or most, the French tres, and the Latin per; thus, ro bheartach, very or most rich; tres or fort riche; perdives: ro bhochd, very or most poor; bien, tres, or fort pauvre; perpauper. Note, that neither the comparative nor the superlative undergo any change by slection.

Irregulars.

| Positive. | Comparative. | Superlative. |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Maith, | fearr, | fearr (or) ro mhaith. |
| Good, | better, | best. |
| Olc, | mease, | mease, ro olc. |
| Evil, | worfe, | worft. |
| Mor, | moa, | moa (or) ro mhor. |
| Great, | greater, | greatest, most great. |
| Beg, | lughe, | lughe, ro bheg. |
| Little, | lefs, | least, very little. |
| Gairrid, | giurra, | giurra, ro ghairrid. |
| Short, | fhorter, | shortest. |
| Leathan, | leatha, | leatha, ro leathan. |
| Broad, | broader, | broadest. |

CHAP. III.

Of Pronouns.

As the Prepositions that generally govern different cases are so united with the simple pronouns (though still their composition may be seen), I think it most proper to write them as one word, without any mark of contraction.

Singular.

Singular.

N. Mi, mife, I.

G. Mo, of me, my.

D. Dhamh, to me; dhamhfe, to me, myself.

A. Me, me.

v. ____

A. Leam, with me; uam, from me; annam, in me; agam, with, or at me; assam, out of, or from me; dhim, from off me; chugam, to me; marrium, with me; tharum, over me; orm, upon me.

Plural.

N. Sinn, we; sinne, we ourselves; (nosmet.)

G. Ar, of us, our. It has ne added to the according substantive; as, ar cretoira-ne, &c.

D. Dhuin, dhuine, to us.

A. Sinn, sinne, us.

A. Sinn, Jinne, C

A. Lein, leinne, with us; uain, uaine, from us; annin, annine, in us; agin, aginne, with us, in our possession; assin, assine, out of, or from us; dhinne, from off us: chugin, to us; marrin, with us; tharin, over us.

Note, that fein and se, when added to the simple pronoun or substantive, are equivalent to the Latin met, metipsos, the French propre, or English self, selves; as, mo lamb-sa, my hand; me lamb fein, my own hand; mi fein, myself.

Singular.

Singular.

N. Tu, thou; tufa, thou, thyfelf.

G. Do, of thee, thy.

D. Dhuit, to thee.

A. Thu, thee.

V. Thufa! O thou!

A. Leat, with thee; uait, pronounced vuait, from thee; annad, in thee; agad, at, or with, or in the possession of thee; asfad, out of, or from thee; dhiot, from off thee; chugad, to you; marriut, with you; tharad, over thee; ort, on thee.

Plural.

N. Sibh, ibh, ye; sibhse, (vosmet.)

G. Bhar, of you, your.

D. Dhuibh, dhuibhfe, to you.

A. Sibh, fibhfe, you.

V. O sibbse! O ye or you!

A. Leibh, leibhfe, with you; uaibh, uaibhfe, pronounced vuaibhfe, from you; annaibh, in
you; agibh, at, or with, or in the possession
of you; asibh, out of you; dhibh, from off
you; chugibh, to you; marribh, with you;
tharibh, over you.

Singular.

N. E, or eifin, i, ife, he or she.

G. A, a, of him, of it, of her, or his, its, her; it writes se after its concordant substantive.

D. Dh'a, dhafan, dhi, dhife, to him, it, to her.

A. E, eisin, i, ise, he, it, her.

V. ____

A. Leis, leisan, lea, lease, with him, it, her; uaidhe, uaiche, from him, her; aige, aice, at, or with, or in the possession of him or her, it; annsan, in him, in thee, in it; inte, in her, it; as, out of him, it; aisde, out of her; dhe, dhi, from off him, her; chuige, to him, it; chuicca, to her; marris, with him, it; marria, with her; tharis, over him, it; thairte, over her; air, on him; urra, on her.

Plural.

N. Iad, iad, idse, they.

G. An, an, their; it writes se after the following fubstantive.

D. Dhoibh, dhoibh, dhoibhse, to them.

A. Iad, iad, iadse, them.

v. ——

A. Leo, leofan, with them; uatha, from them; afda, out of them; annta, in them; ac, of them; acca, at, or with, or in the possession of them; dhiu, of them, off them; chucca,

to them; marriu, with them; tharta, over them.

Singular.

N. Co? cia? ciod? who? which? what?

G. Cho? whose?

D. Co dha? to whom?

A. Co? which? what?

V. ____

A. Co leis? with whom, what? whose? co uaidh? from whom? co ann? in whom, which, what? co aig? with whom? or at, or in whose possession? co dheth? from off whom?

The Plural is the fame.

A, the relative who, that,

N. A, who, that,

D. Do a' do, to which, to whom.

A. A, whom, which.

v. ----

A. Leis a, ler, with whom, which; af a, out of whom, which; ann a, in whom, which; uaidh a, from whom, which; aig a, with whom, at whom, in whose possession: Uaidh, I think, might be wrote o when it is not joined to the pronoun, as in uait; thus, o an duine, from the man, is better and easier read than uadh an duine.

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So, this, is equivalent to hic in Latin; and fin, he, that, to ille, ifte, indeclinable. Ud, or od, is somewhat relative, and is, in other respects, exactly what la is in French, and there among cockneys; for we say an tigh od, that there house; cette maison la; egin, some; eile, other; cheudna, same; sa bith, soever, are put after pronouns and substantives; as, co sa bith, whosoever; duine eile, another man; an duine ceudna, the same man.—Gach, every; gach uile, contracted chuile, all, every, are put before the substantive. Gach uile requires the h slection in the substantive following; gach uile abuine, every man, all men.

Ti, he, the man who, who foever, is used thus; an ii dhiarras gheibh, he that seeketh shall find.

Though the Prepositions with which chuige, chuica, chucca, are compounded, and seem to be of the dative, they, nevertheless, when separate, govern the genitive.

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Of Verbs.

VERBS have two Voices, the Active and Passive.—There is scarcely any change of perfon in either number, that being almost always immediately discovered by the nominal or pronominal

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nominative following the verb, whether regularly formed, or by the auxiliary verb and the participle; as, chruinich mi, I gathered; chruinich thu, thou gathereds; chruinich e, he gathered, &c. or bha mi (ag) cruinuchadh, I gathered, or was gathering; bha thu (ag) cruinuchadh, thou wast gathering, &c.

In a Galic verb, what the Latins call the Gerund or Substantive derived from the verb, is the principal part from which the other tenses are formed and modified.

In the flection or conjugation of a verb, particles, the auxiliary verb to be, the aspirate after the initial consonant, and now and then a change of termination, form differently the different tenses. In order to decline a verb, after having the gerund or substantive, or the name of the action before it relates to person, time, or modification, the present participle is formed by putting ag before the radix, which always governs the genitive in discourse, and has no change in gender: so from cruinuchadh, a collecting or gathering together, is formed (ag) cruinuchadh, the present participle. Ag is more elegantly written before participles beginning with a vowel; as, ag iarridh, seeking.

To form the Infinitive, decline the radix as a fubflantive, as far as the dative case, which is the infinitive present; there is no other tense of this mood: thus, thus, cruinuchadh, the radix or gerund, signifies a gathering together, or assembly. The dative of which is do chruinuchadh, to gather or assemble. But when the verb begins with a vowel, the infinitive is formed thus; as, orduchadh, commanding, ordering; dative, dh' orduchadh, the infinitive, to command.

There are two participles perfect: the first is of some use in the active, but more in the passive. The one is formed by putting the preposition air instead of ag, as (ag) cruinuchadh, assembling; air cruinuchadh, assembled. It receives genders thus: For the masculine it assumes the aspirate h and puts a, the genitive of the person, between it and the preposition air; as, air a chruinuchadh, he assembled; Latin, congregatus; for the seminine it assumes only the possessive pronoun a, which is the genitive seminine of e, i; as, air a cruinuchadh, she assembled, congregata. The a, however, is often lost when the verb begins with a vowel; as, air orduchadh, he assembled, for air a orduchadh. In the seminine the euphonic h is presixed; as, air a h orduchadh.

In discourse, this participle governs the genitive of any of the possessive pronouns put between the air and the verb, and the genitive of a noun when put after it; as, tha mi air mo threoruchadh, I am directed; air treoruchadh an duine, directed the man. When the dative is put after it, it translates the ablative absolute of the Latins; as, air treoruchadh dhamh.

dhamh, I having directed; air eirachd, or eirigh, do'n ghrian, the fun having rifen.

The other Participle is formed from the radix, by changing its last syllable into te; thus, treoruchadh, directing; treoruichte, directed; cruinuchadh, affembling together; cruinichte, assembled.

The present, the past, and the future tenses only are formed regularly; but the auxiliary tha, I am, in conjunction with the participle, gives rise to the impersect, persect definite, and plupersect.

Though fome fay a language has only as many tenses as are regularly formed without the auxiliary, yet I am of opinion, a verb cannot be better conjugated than by stating it in all its different times of action whatsoever; on this account, therefore, in order to ascertain the different ways of speaking relative to action in the Galic, and at once to shew a verb so arranged into moods and tenses, by which every possible disposition of the Galic verbs, so various in their moods and tenses, may be resolved; I am of necessity obliged to introduce, perhaps, an unusual number of moods.

As the different particles of conjunction and adverb contribute to the variety of moods in this language, I shall endeavour to shew the modes of them in separate classes. These I will denominatively call, Indicative, Interrogative, Responsive, Conditional, Ne-

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gative, Subjunctive, Optative, Imperative, and Infinitive.

A language modifies a verb fo many different ways, either by a change of termination, or the affiftance of auxiliaries, and the influence of different particles. The Galic moods are, however, reducible to these:

The Indicative, which at the same time serves as Responsive; and as Conditional, by putting the conditional particles ma, if; nuair, when; antra, when, &c. before it.

The Subjunctive, which, with the particle an before it, ferves as interrogative, and as the negative, which takes the particle of negation cho an, cho, or that of the Irish dialect, ni an, no, not, before it, and cho do before the past tense, and the particles chum agus go, to the end that, &c.

The Optative has an imperfect and some past tenses peculiar to itself, with the particle nach, utinam, I wish that, O that! This mood and its most common tenses may be seen in that most beautiful text, in this language peculiarly pathetic: O! nach ro iad glic, nach tuigadh iad so, nach cuimhnadh iad an crìoch dheirannach. "O! that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would consider their latter end!" There is also the imperative and the infinitive. The following is an example of a regular verb:

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Indicative Mood.

Comprehending the Responsive and Conditional; the particles of this mood are only the conditional ma, if.

Present Tense.

Cruinucham, I affemble.
Cruinuchidh thu, thou affemblest.
Cruinuchidh e, he affembleth.
Cruinuchidh sinn, we affemble.
Cruinuchidh sibh, ye affemble.
Cruinuchidh iad, they affemble.

Or,

Ata, or tha mi (ag) cruinuchadh, I am assembling. Tha thu (ag) cruinuchadh, thou art assembling. Tha e (ag) cruinuchadh, he is assembling. Tha sinn (ag) cruinuchadh, we are assembling. Tha sibh (ag) cruinuchadh, ye are assembling. Tha iad (ag) cruinuchadh, they are assembling.

Subjunctive Mood.

Comprehending the Interrogative, which prefixes the particle an; the Negative, which prefixes cho, cho an, or the Irish ni an, ni no, not; and other subjunctive particles, chum agus gu, to the end that; ionas gur, insomuch that; gu, that, &c.

Present Tense.

Cruinich mi, I may or can affemble.

Cruinich thu, thou mayest or canst affemble.

Cruinich e, he may or can affemble.

Cruinich sinn, we may or can affemble.

Cruinich sibh, ye may or can affemble.

Cruinich iad, they may or can affemble.

Or,

- Bheil mi (ag) cruinuchadh, I may or can be affembling.
- Bheil thu (ag) cruinuchadh, thou mayest or canst be assembling.
- Bheil e (ag) cruinuchadh, he may or can be affembling.
- Bheil sinn (ag) cruin ichadh, we may or can be assembling.
- Bheil fibh (ag) cruinuchadh, ye may or can be fembling.
- Bheil iad (ag) cruinuchadh, they may or can be affembling.

Indicative Mood continued.

Imperfect.

Bha mi (ag) cruinuchadh, I was affembling.

Bha thu (ag) cruinuchadh, thou wast affembling.

Bha e (ag) cruinuchadh, he was affembling.

Bha sinn (ag) cruinuchadh, we were affembling.

Bha sibh (ag) cruinuchadh, ye were affembling.

Bha iad (ag) cruinuchadh, they were affembling.

Perfect.

Chruinich mi, I affembled.

Chruinich thu, thou affembleds.

Chruinich e, he affembled.

Chruinich sinn, we affembled.

Chruinich sibh, ye affembled.

Chruinich iad, they affembled.

Perfect Definite.

Tha mi air cruinuchadh, I have affembled.
Tha thu air cruinuchadh, thou hast affembled.
Tha e air cruinuchadh, he has affembled.
Tha sinn air cruinuchadh, we have affembled.
Tha sibh air cruinuchadh, ye have affembled.
Tha iad air cruinuchadh, they have affembled.

Subjunctive Mood continued.

Imperfect.

Ro mi (ag) cruinuchadh, I was or have been affembling.

Ro thu (ag) cruinuchadh, thou wast or hast been affembling.

Ro e (ag) cruinuchadh, he was affembling.

Ro sinn (ag) cruinuchadh, we were, or have been affembling.

Ro fibh (ag) cruinuchadh, ye were affembling. Ro iad (ag) cruinuchadh, they were affembling.

Perfect.

Do chruinich mi, I affembled. Do chruinich thu, thou affembledst.

Do chruinich e, he affembled.

Do chruinich sinn, we affembled.

Do chruinich sibh, ye assembled.

Do chruinich iad, they affembled.

Perfect Definite.

Bheil mi air cruinuchadh, I have affembled. Bheil thu air cruinuchadh, thou hast affembled. Bheil e air cruinuchadh, he has affembled. Bheil sinn air cruinuchadh, we have affembled. Bheil sibh air cruinuchadh, ye have affembled. Bheil iad air cruinuchadh, they have affembled.

Indicative Mood continued.

Pluperfect.

Bha mi air cruinuchadh, I had assembled.
Bha thu air cruinuchadh, thou hadst assembled.
Bha e air cruinuchadh, he had assembled.
Bha sinn air cruinuchadh, we had assembled.
Bha sibh air cruinuchadh, ye had assembled.
Bha iad air cruinuchadh, they had assembled.

Future.

Cruinuchidh mi, I shall or will assemble.
Cruinuchidh thu, thou shalt or wilt assemble.
Cruinuchidh e, he shall or will assemble.
Cruinuchidh sinn, we shall or will assemble.
Cruinuchidh sibh, ye shall or will assemble.
Cruinuchidh iad, they shall or will assemble.

Future Negative, with the Particle cho.

Cho chruinich mi, I will not affemble.
Cho chruinich thu, thou wilt not affemble.
Cho chruinich e, he will not affemble.
Cho chruinich sinn, we will not affemble.
Cho chruinich sibh, ye will not affemble.
Cho chruinich iad, they will not affemble.

Subjunctive Mood continued.

Pluperfect.

Ro mi air cruinuchadh, I had affembled.
Ro tu air cruinuchadh, thou hadst assembled.
Ro e air cruinuchadh, he had affembled.
Ro e air cruinuchadh, we had affembled.
Ro sibh air cruinuchadh, ye had affembled.
Ro iad air cruinuchadh, they had affembled.

Future: (all of Abadaurical)

Chruinichas mi, I shall have assembled, or shall or will assemble.

Chruinichas thu, thou shalt have assembled.
Chruinichas e, he shall have assembled.
Chruinichas sinn, we shall have assembled.
Chruinichas sibh, ye shall have assembled.
Chruinichas iad, they shall have assembled.

Future Interrogative, with the Particle an.

An cruinich mi, shall or will I assemble? An cruinich thu, shalt or wilt thou assemble? An cruinich e, shall or will he assemble? An cruinich sinn, shall or will we assemble? An cruinich sibh, shall or will ye assemble? An cruinich jad, shall or will they assemble?

Imperative,

Cruinich, assemble thou.

Cruinichadh e, let him assemble.

Cruinichamid, let us assemble.

Cruinichibh, cruinichibh-se, assemble ye.

Cruinichadh iad, let them assemble.

Infinitive,

Chruinuchadh, to affemble.

Participles.

Pres. (Ag) cruinuchadh, assembling.

Pers. Air cruinuchadh, assembled.

Fut. Re cruinuchadh, about to assemble, assembling.

The Optative Mood has only this Imperfect peculiar to itself.

Chruinichin, I would affemble.

Chruinichadh tu, thou wouldst affemble.

Chruinichadh e, he would affemble.

Chruinichamid, we would affemble.

Chruinichadh sibh, ye would affemble.

Chruinichadh iad, they would affemble.

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Indicative Mood.

Present Tense.

- Tha mi cruinichte, (or) air mo cruinuchadh, I ang affembled.
- Tha thu cruinichte, (or) air do cruinuchadh, thou art assembled.
- Tha e, (or) i, cruinichte, (or) air a chruinuchadh, Masc. air a he is assembled. cruinuchadh, Fem.
- Tha sinn cruinichte, (or) air ar cruinuchadh, we are affembled.
- Tha fibh air bhar cruinuchadh, (or) cruinichte, ye are affembled.
- Tha iad cruinichte, (or) air an cruinuchadh, they are affembled.

Imperfect.

- Bha mi cruinichte, (or) air mo chruinuchadh, I was affembled.
- Bha thu cruinichte, (or) air do chruinuchadh, thou wast affembled.
- Bha e cruinichte, (or) Masc. air a chruinuchadh, (or) Fem. air he was assembled. a cruinuchadh,

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Subjunctive Mood.

Present Tense.

- Bheil mi cruinichte, (or) air mo chruinuchadh, I am affembled.
- Bheil thu cruinichte, (or) air do chruinuchadh, thou art affembled.
- Bheil e cruinlchte, (or) air a chruinuchadh, Masc. (or) air a cru- he is assembled. inuchadh, Fem.
- Bheil sinn cruinichte, (or) air ar cruinuchadh, we are affembled.
- Bheil sibh cruinichte, (or) air bhar cruinuchadh, ye are affembled.
- Bheil iad cruinichte, (or) air an cruinuchadh, they are affembled.

Imperfect.

- Ro mi cruinichte, (or) air mo chruinachadh, I was affembled.
- Ro thu air do chruinuchadh, (or) cruinichte, thou wast affembled.
- Ro e cruinichte, (or) air a chruinuchadh, Masc. air a cru- he was assembled. inuchadh, Fem.

Indicative Mood continued.

Bha sinn cruinichte, (or) air ar cruinuchadh, we were assembled.

Bha sibh cruinichte, (or) air bhar cruinuchadh, ye were assembled.

Bha iad cruinichte, (or) air an cruinuchadh, they were affembled.

Perfect.

Chruinichadh mi, I was, or have been assembled.
Chruinichadh thu, thou hast been assembled.
Chruinichadh e, he has been assembled.
Chruinichadh sinn, we have been assembled.
Chruinichadh sibh, ye have been assembled.
Chruinichadh iad, they have been assembled.

Future.

Chruinichar mi, I shall or will be assembled.
Chruinichar thu, thou shalt or wilt be assembled.
Chruinichar e, he shall or will be assembled.
Chruinichar sinn, we shall or will be assembled.
Chruinichar sibh, ye shall or will be assembled.
Chruinichar iad, they shall or will be assembled.

Subjunctive Mood continued.

Ro sinn cruinichte, (or) air ar cruinuchadh, we were assembled.

Ro sibh cruinichte, (or) air bhar cruinuchadh, ye were assembled.

Ro iad cruinichte, (or) air an cruinuchadh, they were affembled.

Perfect.

Do chruinichadh mi, I have been assembled.

Do chruinichadh thu, thou hast been assembled.

Do chruinichadh e, he has been assembled.

Do chruinichadh sinn, we have been assembled.

Do chruinichadh sibh, ye have been assembled.

Do chruinichadh iad, they have been assembled.

Future.

Cruinichar mi, I shall be assembled.
Cruinichar thu, thou shalt be assembled.
Cruinichar e, he shall be assembled.
Cruinichar sinn, we shall be assembled.
Cruinichar sibh, ye shall be assembled.
Cruinichar iad, they shall be assembled.

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Optative.

Imperfect.

Chruinichtadh mi, I would be affembled.

Chruinichtadh thu, thou wouldst be affembled.

Chruinichtadh e, he would be affembled.

Chruinichtamid, we would be affembled.

Chruinichtadh sibh, ye would be affembled.

Chruinichtadh iad, they would be affembled.

Imperative.

Bith cruinichte, be thou assembled.

Bithadh e cruinichte, let him be assembled.

Bithamid cruinichte, let us be assembled.

Bithibh cruinichte, be ye assembled.

Bithadh iad cruinichte, (or) air an cruinachadh, let them, &c.

Infinitive.

Pres. Bhith cruinichte, (or) air a chruinuchadh, to be assembled.

Participle.

Perf. Cruinichte, (or) air a chruinuchadh, assembled. Fut. Re a chruinuchadh, to be assembled.

The Auxiliary ata, (or) tha, I am.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Present.

Prefent.

Ata, (or) tha mi, I am.
Tha thu, thou art.
Tha e, he is.
Tha finn, we are.
Tha fibh, ye are.
Tha iad, they are.

Bheil mi, I am.
Bheil thu, thou art.
Bheil e, he is.
Bheil sinn, we are.
Bheil sibh, ye are.
Bheil iad, they are.

The following present is also used, but with this difference, that the former are always followed by adjectives or the participles of verbs; as, Am bheil thu bear tach, art thou rich? The Indicative answers tha, I am; or if negatively, cho n bheil, or, am bheil thu cruinichte, art thou assembled or met? answer, tha, &c. but this is followed by a noun; as, an tu-se and duine, art thou the man? the Indicative answers is mi; if negatively, cho mi, cho tu, &c.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

2d Present.

2d Present.

Is mi, I am.

Is tu, thou art.

Is e, he, it, is.

Is finn, we are.

Is fibh, ye are.

Is iad, they are,

Am mi, am I, is it I?
An tu, art thou? &c.
An e, is he?
An finn, are we?
An fibh, are ye?
An iad, are they?

Perfect.

Perfect.

Bha mi, I was, or have been.

Bha thu, thou wast.

Bha e, he was.

Bha sinn, we were.

Bha fibh, ye were.

Bha iad, they were.

Perfect.

Ro mi, I was or have been.

Ro thu, thou wast.

Ro e, he was.

Ro sinn, we were.

Ro fibb, ye were. Ro iad, they were.

The following 2d Perfect is used after the same manner as the 2d Present Tense.

Indicative.

Bu mi, I was, it was I. Bu tu, thou wast, it was

B' e, it was he, it was, Bu sinn, we were.

Bu fibh, ye were.

B' iad, they were.

Subjunctive.

Bu mi, I was, was it?

Bu tu, thou wast.

B' e, he was, was it? was

he?

Bu finn, we were, were

Bu fibh, ye were, were

B' iad, they were, were

they?

Future.

Bithidh mi, I shall or will

Bithidh thu, thou shalt be. Bithidhe, he shall be.

Future.

Bhithas mi, I shall be. Bhithas tu, thou shalt be, Bhithas e, he shall be.

Bithidh

Bithidh sinn, we shall be. Bithidh sibh, ye shall be. Bithidh iad, they shall be. Bhithas sinn, we shall be. Bhithas sibh, ye shall be. Bhithas iad, they shall be.

The Future Negative, with the particle cho, not. The Future Interrogative with the particle am.

Cho bhith mi, I shall not. Cho bhith thu, thou shalt not be. Am bith mi, shall I be?

Am bith thu, shalt thou be?

Cho bhith e, he shall not be.

Am bith e, shall he be?
Am bith sinn, shall we be?
Am bith sibh, shall ye be?
Am bith iad, shall they be?

Cho bhith sinn, we shall not be.

Cho bhith fibh, ye shall not be.

Cho bhith iad, they shall not be.

Optative Imperfect.

Bhithin, I would be.

Bhithadh tu, thou wouldst be.

Bhithadh e, he would be.

Bhithamid, we would be.

Bhithadh sibh, ye would be.

Bhithadh iad, they would be.

Imperative.

Bith thu, be thou. Bithadh e, let him be. Bithamid, let us be.

Bithibh,

Bubles finn, we that be.

Bithibh, be ye. Bithadh iad, let them be.

Infinitive.

Bhith, to be.

Participle.

Perf. Air bhith, being, having been. Fut. Re bith, to be, about to be, to come.

Verbs beginning with vowels or diphthongs, or with f, have dh in the past tenses; as eisdam, I hearken; dh'eisd mi, I hearkened; with an apostrophe after the dh'. In verbs beginning with f, however, the f is put between the d and h. The db retains its wonted force and found; thus, fofgalam, I open; df hofgal, I opened, is read as dh'ofgal.

Example of the First Person of every Tense of a Verb beginning with a vowel.

Ind. Pref. Orduicham, Thami ag orduchadh.

Subj. Orduich mi. Bheil mi ag orduchadh.

Opt. Imp. 1 Imp. lmp. Bhami ag orduchadh. Db'orduichin. Romi ag orduchadh.

Perfect. Dh'orduich mi.

Perfect. D'orduich mi.

Perf.

Perf. Def. Tha mi air orduchadh.

Plup. Bha mi air orduchadh.

Fut. Orduchidh mi.

Fut. Negat. Cho'n orduich mi.

Perf. Def. Bheil mi ar orduchadh.

Plup. Ro mi air orduchadh.

Fut. Orduichas mi.

Fut. Interr. An orduich mi.

Infinitive.

Pref. Dh'orduchadh.

Participles.

Ag orduchadh. Perf. Act. Air orduchadh. Fut. Re orduchadh.

Imperative.

Orduich, orduichadh e. Orduichamid, orduichibh. Orduichadh iad.

Examples of Irregular Verbs.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Present.

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Prefent.

Feudam, I am able. Feud mi, I am able.

Feudidh thu, thou art able. Feud thu, thou art able.

Feudidb

Feudidh e, he is able. Feudidh sinn, we are able. Feudidh sibh, ye are able. Feudidhiad, they are able.

Indicative.

Paft.

Dfheud mi, I was able.
Dfheud thu, thou wast able.
Dfheud e, he was able.
Dfheud sinn, we were able.
Dfheud sibh, ye were able.
Dfheud iad, they were able.

Future.

Feudidh mi, I shall be able.

Feudidh thu, thou shalt

Feudidh e, he shall be able.

be able.

Feudidh sinn, we shall be able.

Feudidh sibh, ye shall be able.

Feudidh iad, they shall be able.

Feud e, he is able.

Feud sinn, we are able.

Feud sibh, ye are able.

Feud iad, they are able.

Subjunctive.

Paft.

D'fheud mi, I was able.
D'fheud thu, thou wast able.
D'fheud e, he was able.
D'fheud sinn, we were able.
D'fheud sibh, ye were able.
D'fheud iad, they were able.

Future.

Dfheudas mi, I shall be able.

Dfheudas thu, thou shalt be able.

Dfheudas e, he shall be able.

Dfheudas sinn, we shall be able.

Dfheudas fibh, ye shall be able.

Dfbeudas iad, they shall be able.

Optative.

Optative.

Imperfect.

Dfheudah tu, thou coulds.

Dfheudadh tu, thou coulds.

Dfheudadh e, he could.

Dfheudamid, we might or could.

Dfheudadh sibh, ye might or could.

Dfheudadh iad, they might or could.

[The rest of the Tenses wanting.]

Indicative.

Present.

Deanam, I do or make. Deanidh thu, thou dost. Deanidh e, he doth. Deanidh sinn, we do. Deanidh sibh, ye do. Deanidh iad, they do.

Perf. Def.

Bha mi air deanamh.

Paft.

Rinn mi, I have done. Rinn thu, thou hast done. Rinn e, he hath done. Rinn sinn, we have done. Subjunctive.

Present.

Dean mi, I do.
Dean thu, thou dost.
Dean e, he doth.
Dean sinn, we do.
Dean sibh, ye do.
Dean iad, they do.

Perf. Def. Ro thu air deanamh.

Paft.

Do rinn mi, I have done.

Do rinn thu, thou hast done.

Do rinn e, he hath done.

Rinn fibh, ye have done: Rinn iad, they have done. Do rinn sinn, we have done.

Do rinn sibh, ye have done.

Do rinn iad, they have done.

Future.

Deanidh, (or) ni mi, I shall do.

Deanidh, (or) ni thu, thou shalt do.

Deanidh, (or) ni e, he shall do.

Deanidh, ni sinn, we shall do.

Deanidh, ni sibh, ye shall do.

*Deanidh, ni iad, they shall . do.

Fature.

Dheanas mi, I shall do.
Dheanas thu, thou shalt do.
Dheanas e, he shall do.
Dheanas sinn, we shall do.
Dheanas sibh, ye shall do.
Dheanas iad, they shall do.

Optative.

Imperfect.

Dheanin, I would make.

Dheanadh tu, thou wouldst make.

Dheanadh e, he would make.

Dheanamid, we would make.

Dheanadh sibh, ye would make.

Dheanadh iad, they would make.

Imperative.

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Imperative,

Dean, do thou.

Deanadh e, let him do.

Deanamid, let us do.

Deanibh, do ye.

Deanadh iad, let them do,

Infinitive.

Present. Dheanadh, Dheanamh, to do.

Participles.

Present. (Ag) deanamh, doing.
Perf. Act. Air deanamh, having done.
Future. Re deanamh, about to do.

PASSIVE.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Prefent.

Present.

Thami deante, I am made. Tha thu deante, thou art made.

Bheil mideante, I am made. Bheil thu deante, thou art made.

Thate deante, he is made.

Bheil e deante, he is made.

Tha

Tha finn deante, we are made.

Tha fibh deante, ye are made.

Tha iad deante, (or) air an deanamh, they are made.

Bheil sinn deante, we are made.

Bheil sibh deante, ye are made.

Bheiliad deante, (or) air an deanamh, they are made.

Imperfect.

Bhami deante, I was made. Bha thu deante, thou wast made.

Bha e deante, he was made. Bha finn deante, we were made.

Bha sibh deante, ye were made.

Bha iad deante, (or) air an deanamh, they were made.

Imperfect.

Ro mi deante, I was made. Ro thu deante, thou wast made.

Ro e deante, he was made.

Ro sinn deante, we were made.

Ro fibh deante, ye were made.

Ro iad deante, (or) air an deanamh, they were made.

Perfect.

Rinnadh mi, I was made. Rinnadh thu, thou wast made.

Rinnadh e, he was made, Rinnadh sinn, we were made.

Rim adh fibh, ye were made.

Perfect.

Dorinnadhmi, Iwas made, Dorinnadh thu, thou wast made.

Dorinnadh e, he was made.
Do rinnadh sinn, we were made.

Do rinnadh fibh, ye were made.

Rinnadh

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Rinnadh iad, they were Do rinnadh iad, they were made. made.

Future.

Future.

Nitar mi, I shall be made. Deantar mi, I shall be made.

Nitar thu, thou shalt be Deantar thu, thou shalt be made.

Nitar e, he shall be Deantar e, he shall be made.

Nitar sinn, we shall be Deantar sinn, we shall be made.

Nitar sibh, ye shall be Deantar sibh, ye shall be made.

Nitar iad, they shall be Deantar iad, they shall be made.

Imperative.

Bith deante, (or) air do dheanamh, be thou made. Bithadh e deante, let him be made. Bithamid deante, let us be made. Bithibh deante, be ye made. Bithadh iad deante, let them be made.

Infinitive.

Bhith deante, (or) air a dheanamh, to be made.

Participles.

Perfect. Deante, (or) air a dheanamh, done.

Future. Re a dheanamh, to be done.

Optative.

Optative.

Imperfect.

Dheantadh mi, I would be done.

Dheantadh thu, thou wouldst be done.

Dheantadh e, he would be done.

Dheantadh sinn, we would be done.

Dheantadh sibh, ye would be done.

Dheantadh iad, they would be done.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Present.

Prefent.

Racham, I go; or, tha mi ...
(ag) dol, I am going.

Bheil mi (ag) dol, I am going.

Imperfect.

Imperfect.

Bha mi (ag) dol, I was go- Ro mi (ag) dol, I was going.

Perfect.

Perfect.

Chuaidh mi, I went.

Do chuaidh mi, (deachidh),

Perfect Def.

Perfect Def.

Thami air dol, Thave gone. Bheil mi air dol, Thave gone.

Pluperfect.

Pluperfect.

Pluperfect.

Bha mi air dol, I had gone.

Ro mi air dol, I had gone.

Future. Future.

Theid mi, I will go. An d'theid mi, I will go.

Optative.

Imperfect.

Rachin, I would go.

Infinitive.

Present. Dhol, to go.

Participles.

Present. (Ag) dol.

Perfect. Air dol, having gone, gone.

Future. Re dol, about to go.

Indicative. Subjunctive:

Present. Present.

Tigam, (or) tham i teachd, Bheil mi teachd, I come.

I come, am coming.

Imperfect. Imperfect.

Bha mi teachd, I was com- Ro mi teachd, I was coming.

Perfect. Perfect.

Thanic mi, I came. D' thanic mi, I came. Perfect.

Perf. Def.

Perf. Def.

Tha mi air teachd, I have come.

Bheil mi air teachd, I have come.

Pluperfect.

Pluperfect.

come.

Bha mi air teachd, I had Ro mi air teachd, I had come.

Menion!

Pretent

Future.

Future.

Thig mi, I will come. Tig mi, I will come.

Imperative.

Thig, come thou.

Thigadh e, let him come.

Thigamid, let us come.

Thigibh, come ye.

Thigadh iad, let them come.

Infinitive.

Theachd, to come.

Participles.

Present. (Ag) teachd, coming.

Air teachd, come, having come. Perfect.

Re teachd, about to come. Future.

Optative.

Imperfect.

Thigin, I would come.

Indicative.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Prefent.

Prefent.

Deiram, I say, (or) tha Abeir mi, I say, (or) bheil mi (ag) radh, I am mi (ag) radh, I am saying.

Imperfect.

Bha mi (ag) radh, I was Ro mi (ag) radh, I was faying.

Paft.

Thuairt mi, I faid, or have Duairt mi, I faid, (in faid. Irish) dubhairt.

Future:

Their mi, I will fay. Abeir, shall I fay.

Optative.

Indicatively and Respon- Interrogatively and Ne-

Imperfect.

Theirin, I would fay.

Abrain, would I fay?

Imperative.

Abeir, fay thou; abradh e, let him fay; abramid, let us fay; abribh, fay ye; abradh iad, let them fay.

M Participles.

Participles.

Present. (Ag) radh, saying.

Air a radh, faid. Perfect.

Future. Re a radh, to be faid.

The Passive has only the Future, which is commonly used impersonally.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Their ar, shall be faid.

Abrair, shall be faid.

The three last Irregular Verbs have also an Imperfect Optative, used likewise impersonally.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Rachtadh, would be gone. Rachtadh, would be gone. Thigtadh, would be come. Tigtadh, would be gone. Theirtadh, would be said. Abeirtadh, would be said.

Bheiram, I give.

Toir mi, I give,

Or,

Tha mi toirt, I am giving. Bheil mi toirt, I am giving.

Imperfect.

Bha mitoirt, I was giving. Ro mi toirt, I was giving.

Perfect.

Thug mi, I gave.

D' thug mi, I gave.

Perfect

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Perfect Definite.

Tha mi air toirt, I have Bheil mi air toirt, I have given. given.

Pluperfect.

Bha mi air toirt, I had Ro mi air toirt, I had given. given.

Future.

Bheir mi, I shall give. Toir mi? shall I give?

Imperative.

Thoir, give thou; thugadh e, let him give; thugamid, let us give; thugibh, give ye; thugadh iad, let them give.

Infinitive.

Thoirt, to give.

Participles.

Present. Toirt, giving.

Perfect. Air toirt, having given, given.

Future. Re toirt, about to give.

Optative.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Bherin, I would give. Tugin, I would give.

PASSIVE.

PASSIVE.

Indicative.

Subjunctive.

Present.

Present.

Tha mi air mo thoirt, I Bheil mi air mo thoirt, I am given. am given.

Imperfect.

Bha mi air mo thoirt, I Ro mi air mo thoirt, I was given. was given.

Perfect.

Thugadhmi, I was given. D' thugadhmi, I was given.

Future.

Bheirar mi, I shall be Toirar mi, I shall be given.

[Imperative wanting.]

Infinitive.

Bhith air a thoirt, to be given.

Participles.

Perfect. Air a thoirt, given.

Future. Re a thoirt, to be given.

Optative.

Imperfect.

Thugtadh mi, I would be D' thugtadh mi, I would given, be given.

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Remarks on the Verbs.

The adverbs antra, nuair, when; ma, if; are joined with the past tenses of the Indicative, but always with the Subjunctive; thus, nuair chruinich iad clocha, when they gathered stones together; with the Subjunctive, nuair ghabhas iad combnuidh, when they shall rest.

The adverbs cho, not; cho do, not; an, the interrogative particle; the conjunctions chum agus gu, fo that; ionas gur, infomuch that; chionn nach, because not; bhri nach, because not; nach, not; are used also interrogatively; was not? would that? and are always put before the Subjunctive mood; so, cho chruinich iad na clocha, they will not gather the stones. Chum agus gu ro iad air an cruinuchadh, (or) cruinichte, so that they were assembled, or gathered together. Chionn nach ro iad cruinichte, because they were not gathered together. Nach is an optative particle; thus, O nach cruinuchadh iad! O that they would assemble!

Ag, the fign of the participle present, is not always written before the verbs beginning with consonants; as, tha mi smuintuchadh, I am considering; in place of tha mi ag smuaintuchadh. In poetry it is used or peglected as best suits the poet; but before participles beginning with a vowel, it is indispensable; as, bha

iad ag imthachd, they were departing. When the last word before ag ends with a vowel, and the participle begins with a vowel, the g only is retained; thus, bha mi'g eisdachd, I was listening.

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Adverbs.

CAIT? where? Annfo, here. Annsin, there, then. Amach, out. Anois; now. Nois, now. Andiugh, to-day. Anochd, to-night. Ande, yesterday. Anroir, yesternight. Far? where? Cia mar, cionas, how. Cia-fhad agus, as long as. O chion fad, long fince. Am fad agus, whilft. Ni, not; na, not. Neamh, best orthographied, neo, a negative particle, compounded with nouns,

Ath fignifies again, anfwering to the Latin re, compounded with verbs.

Ain, a negative particle, compounded with adjectives.

Treis, greis, a while.

Tammull, a short space, a minute.

Coid airson? for what? why?

Air tus, first, first place.

Ath-ait, dara ait, 2d place.

Antreas ait, the 3d place.

An ceathro ait, the 4th place.

An cuigo ait, the 5th place.

Anuairith, last year.

Am marach, to-morrow.

Anns

Anns an mhaiddin, in the morning.

Anns an fheafgar, in the evening.

Roi, before.

Roi fo, before now.

Roi an de, before yesterday.

Roi an diugh, before to-

Riamh, ever.

An la roi, the day before, t' other day.

Fos, fosd, yet, still.

An nearthrath, day after to-morrow.

O chionn ghairrid, lately, prefently.

Can mboil, gan stad, immediately.

Annamh, seldom.

Tric, often.

Air uaire, at times.

Aris, again.

Air ais, back.

Do ghna, pronounced do ghra, always.

Go tric, often; go minic, often.

Co tric, as often; co tric agus, as oft as.

Aon uair, once.

Da uair, twice; tri uaire, thrice.

Ann a dheidh sin, afterwards, after these things.

Tuile fos, moreover.

Mar sin, so, in that manner.

Ciauime, cia air fon? why? for what?

Ma feach, one by one.

Ann ceart uair, ann cais, just now, directly.

Uair egin, fome time or other.

An ath la, the next day.

Feadh, whilft.

Foichean da la, in two days.

Am feafd, never.

Go sioruidh, for ever.

Cuine, when.

Re an la, the whole day.

Riamh, ever, at any time.

Idir, at all.

Amhuil, thus, in this man-

Ambli, as, just as.

Ambain, only.

O so suas, henceforth.

Agus marsin sios, and so forth, et cetera.

Chuile

Chuile la, gach la, every day.

Ni's mo, no more.

Uair eile, another time.

Anns a' cheart am, in the mean time.

Fa leath, separately, one by one.

Ach beg, cho mhor, almost.

Go brach, for ever.

O la gu la, from day to day, day by day.

O am gu am, from time to time.

Co leir, altogether.

Go leair, enough.

Ro, very, too.

Ioma uair, often, many a

Marfo, this way.

Anios, up.

Sios, down.

Anuas, down.

Suas, up.

Bhos, here below.

Annfud & annfo, here and there.

Shios & Shuas, above and below.

Oscion & foa, over and beneath.

Mancuairt, round about.

Cia mead? how many?

Am fad, far.

Am fad & am fogufg, far

O chian, formerly, in the days of yore.

Mar gu, as if.

Coi-lion, as many as.

Reradh, indeed, in truth.

Mu'n, before that.

Le cheile, together.

Na, than.

Roi a cheile, feadh a cheile, confusedly.

Air egin, scarcely.

Uidh air uidh, by degrees, step by step.

CHAP.

Table use of rie outsile. Menerl, out, whicut

Prepositions.

REPOSITIONS, in discourse, govern either the Genitive, Dative, or the Ablative.

Prepositions governing the Genitive.

Air toisach, before. Ann aghai, against, in the Anndeigh, after. face of. Tiomchiol, about. Chum, unto. Air feadh, among. Am measg, among. Airson, for, for the fake of. Ann lamb, in the possesfion of.

Do thaobh, concerning. Air cul, behind. Reir, according to. Oscien, above. Ann coinamh, over against, opposite. Anncois, nigh to. Re cois, nigh to. Trid, by, through. Ionfuidh, unto.

Ri, rds, unito, to.

Prepositions governing the Dative.

Do, fometimes dh' before nouns beginning with a vowel, to; out of. Air an taobh fo, on this Thall, beyond. fide.

Dlu, nigh. Air an taobh eile, on the other fide.

Taobh

Taobh amach, the outside, without.

Gan fhios, without the knowledge of.
Ri, ris, unto, to.

Amach, out, without.
Mach, out.
Mach as, out of.
O, from, off.

Prepositions governing the Ablative.

Aig, at, in the hands or possession of.

Gu, gus, unto.

As, amach, out, out of.

Foi, under.

Thar, tharis, over.

Lamh ri, ris, nigh to.
Le, leis, with.
Ann, in.
Uaidh, rather o, from.
Gan, without.
Air, upon.

Prepositions governing the Accusative or Ablative.

Eidar, between.
Gu, unto.
Gan, without.

Suas, up.
Anuas, down.

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Interjections.

INTERJECTIONS are common to the Galic with all other languages. Whatever changes may happen to languages, this part is always fecure, and will continue the fame whilft the feelings, the fighs, and the groans of the Philosopher and the Savage are alike. These sounds, if not articulations, seem little different from those of the brutes. They are the efforts of Nature to relieve itself in certain cases. They are the fewest words in any language, and on which Grammarians have always had least to say. They express

Laughter, as, ah! ah! ah!

Grief, och! och! mo chreach! my ruin! mo thruaidh! my misery!

Derision, as, hah! aha! mo nair ort! fy on you!

Fatigue, as, heich ho!

Admiration, as, oh! ho!

Imprecation, mulachd dho, pox on't!

Demonstration, feuch! behold!

Terror, chugibh! chugibh!

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Conjunctions.

AGUS, and; better contracted 'us than 'is, to distinguish it from the substantive verb is.

Araon, both.

Uimesin, wherefore.

Air an abhar sin, therefore.

Cuideachd, likewife, also.

Fos, also.

Ge, though.

Giodheadh, however, notwithstanding.

Ma, if.

Ach, but.

An, the Interrogative Particle, changed (like the article) into am before b, f, p.

Nach, no, O that!

Eadhon, namely, that is to fay, viz. i. e.

Gu, that, changed into gur before words beginning with a vowel, and the confonants f, b, p, f, m, n.

Chum agus gu, to the end that.

Jonas gur, fo that.

Na, than.

Mun am, mun an, if not; mur, if not.

C H A P. IX.

Of the Formation of the Parts of Speech.

AFTER considering the various inflections of the parts of speech, it is natural to enquire into their formation. Ideas vary with things, and the names of things with ideas. The formative nouns are Diminutives, Collectives, Abstracts, Agents, and Actions.

1. Of Diminutives.

All Diminutives of the feminine gender in this language end in og or ag; those of the masculine in an, by subjoining these syllables; as, nian, a girl; nianag, a little girl; caillach, an old woman; caillachag, a little old woman: sguab, a sheaf; sguabag, a little sheaf: leanabh, a child; leanaban, a little child: duine, a man; duinan, a little man, a mannikin, homunculus. Few or none of the christian names are diminutive.

2. Of Collectives.

Collective nouns are not confined to any termination. Among many the following may be reckened: Au Fheine, the Fingalians, or followers and army of Fingal, king of Morven, and hero of Ossian's Poems. Fine, a nation or tribe; clann, a clan or family, the followers and descendants of a Baron or Chiestain, literally children; crodh, cattle; pobul, people; buidhan, a band; compailt, company; uaisle, gentry.

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Most of the Galic abstracts terminate in achd or as. Achd is generally a feminine termination.

Some adjectives in achd add as for their abstract; as, gairdach, joyful; gairdachas, joyfulness: miobhuidhach, ungrateful; miobhuidhachas, ungratefulness: dubhach, sad; dubhachas, sadness. Some change the ach into as; as, beartach, rich; beartas, riches: fiuntach, generous; fiuntas, generosity: athreach, penitent; athreachas, penitence.

Some substantives and adjectives which have i in their last syllable, have as rather than achd sometimes added; or the termination changed to as; so, cruaidh, hard; cruas, hardness: carid, a sciend; cairdas, friendship: suairc, gentle; suaircas, gentleness: math, good; mathas, goodness: cliambin, a kinsman; cleambnas, affinity: udar, an author; udaras, authority: neo-ghlioc, imprudent; neo-ghliocas, imprudence: sona, happy; sonas, happiness.

Those in ol or al prefer achd; as, furdol, industrious; furdolachd, industry; froai, prodigal; froalachd, prodigality: neothaincol, unthankful; neothaincolachd, unthankfulness: cuirtal, courtly; cuirtalachd, courtliness, courtesy; cairdol, friendly; cairdolachd, friendliness: aidhol, hospitable; aidholachd, hospitality: coinol, kind; coinolachd, kindness, clemency: moral, magnificent; moralachd, morachd, magnificence, majesty.

Some add ach; as, naomh, holy; naomhachd, holines: feamh, meek; feamhachd, meeknes: geamni, chaste; geamniachd, chastity: iriofal, humble; irioflachd, humility. All, likewise, that end in or or mhor, add achd; as, ceolor, musical; ceolorachd: mor, great; morachd, majesty, greatness: feolor, sensual; feolorachd, sensuality.

The irregular adjectives form the following abftracts; lugha, lefs; lughad, littlenefs, smallness: moa, greater; mead, greatness: leatha, broader; lead, breadth; airde, higher; airde, height; olc, bad; olcas, badness; giurra, shorter; giurrad, shortness.

4. Of Actions.

Actions are the verbal nouns, derived from verbs, or the present participle of a verb; thus, cruinuchadh is, at the same time, the participle and the verbal noun. They generally end in adh; as, fiosruchadh, knowledge,

knowledge, or judgment, from fiosrucham, to judge or enquire into; iriofluchadh, humiliation, from irioflucham, I humble; mifnuchadh, encouragement, from mifnucham, I encourage: meadachadh, multiplying or encreasing, from meaducham, I encrease or multiply.

Some end in in; as, faicsin, from faicam, I see; cluintin, hearing, from cluinam, I hear; teasargain, deliverance, from teasargam, I deliver. Some end in achd; as, cantairachd, an hymning or singing, from canam, I sing; mosgaltachd, vigilance, from mosgalam, I wake or watch.

5. Of Agents.

Agents or doers subjoin oir, and sometimes air, to the present participle of verbs; as, scriobhadh, writing; scriobhadoir, a writer or attorney: tagradh, a pursuing or process; tagradair, or fear tagraidh, a prosecutor: or by changing the termination into air; as, Cruthichoir, the Creator, from cruthuchadh, a creating.

Some write the termination fhear in place of oir, affecting an idle knowledge in the etymology of words, at the expence of hurting the eye of every reader with the briftly appearance of an useless assemblage of consonants. No more consonants than are necessary to express the true pronunciation of words ought to be written; and since the number of diphthongs

diphthongs and triphthongs are ascertained (as attempted in this Analysis), many of the consonants formerly written become superfluous. It would be as just in Latin to write amatrir instead of amator, as to write in Galic slanuigh sheair in place of slanioir.

Some are formed by adding ich; as, buain, reaping; buanich, a reaper; fnamh, swimming; fnamhich, a swimmer.

Others are formed by making the name fearr, a man, or bean, a woman, govern the action in the genitive; as, fear-tighe, an husbandman; bean-tighe, an housewife: fear-ceaird, a mechanic; fear-baile, a freeholder, a laird, fometimes a tacksman or lesse; fear-bainse, a bride; fear-bainse, a bridegroom; bean-bainse, a bride; fear-moirt, a murderer; riogh, a king; bean-riogh, a queen; diuc, a duke; bean-diuc, a duchess; priunse, a prince; bean-phriunse, a princess; iarla, an earl, bean-iarla, a countess; baran, a baron, bean-bharain, a baroness; morair, a lord, or great man; bean-morair, a great lady: tiarna, a general name for a proprietor or lord over any thing, commonly an esquire, has bean-tiarna, applied to gentlewomen in general, as the English word Lady.

Some are also formed by making the collective words luchg, or muintir, govern the action in the genitive; as, luchg faire, watchmen; luchg fairg, seamen; luchg feanachais, hittorians, &c.

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6. Of Adjectives.

All Collectives end in ach, agach, or anach, terminations equal to ofus in Latin; thus, ballach, spotted, full of spots, is formed from ball, a spot; bainach, milky, from baine; badanach, sull of locks; cathach, of or belonging to battles, from cath, a battle; griannach, sunny, from grian, the sun.

Those which signify tendency end in ol; so, feimol, necessary, from feim, use, necessity; laichol,
daily, from la, a day; coinol, kindly, from coinas;
froal, prodigal, from fro, prodigality; misnachol,
courageous, from misnach, courage; gaisgol, valiant, from gaisge, valour; ainmol, renowned, from
ainm, a name.

Those that subjoin or to the primitive, signify abounding in, full of; as, sultor, sull of sap, from sult, sat; Trenmore, a man of strength and valour, one of Ossian's heroes; tlachdor, handsome, from tlachd, a liking, handsomeness; ceolor, in the Irish dialect ceolmhor, musical, eminent in music, from ceol, music; Cathmor, great in battle, one of Ossian's heroes, from cath, a battle.

All gentile or patronymic Adjectives end in ach; as Albanach, a Scotsman; Erinach, an Hibernian; Sasganach, an Englishman; Francach, a Frenchman; Fedaltach, an Italian; Lochlunach, a Dane.

Adjectives

Adjectives that shew possibility and facility prefix so; as, so thingse, easy to be understood, intelligible; so thogal, easy to be listed up or acquired; so dheante, easy to be done, possible. Those that denote impossibility prefix do; as, do-thingse, difficult to understand, unintelligible; do-thogal, not easily taken up or acquired; do-dheante, that cannot be done, impossible.

7. Of Numerals.

Aon and da, one, two, have the afpirate h after the initial confonant of the noun agreeing with it, and which in discourse always come after. All others agree with it; thus we say aon shear, one man; da shear, two men; but we say tri fir, three men; ceithar fir, four men, &c. as far as aon deug, eleven, and then we go on as before, aon shear deug, da shear deug, but we say tri fir deug, &c. always putting deug after the substantive.

The substantive always stands between the unit and the ten, when the substantive must agree with the unit; thus, aon shear, one man; da shear, two men; aon shear deug, eleven men; da shear deug, twelve men; tri sir deug, thirteen, &c.

Cardinals.

Aon, one.

Da, dis, two, the two.

Tri, three. Ceithar, four.

Coig,

Coig, five. Sia, fix. Seachd, feven. Ochd, eight. Noi, nine. Deich, ten. Aon deug, eleven. Da dheug, twelve. Tri deug, thirteen. Ceithar deug, fourteen. Coig deug, fifteen. Sia deug, fixteen. Seachd deug, seventeen. Ochd deug, eighteen. Noi deug, nineteen. Fichid, twenty. Aon thar fichid, twentyone. Deich thar fichid, thirty. Aon deug thar fichid, thirty-one, &c. Da fhichid, forty.

Aon agus da fhichid, for-

ty-one.

Deich & da fhichid, fifty. Aon deug & da fhichid, fifty-one. Tri fichid, fixty. Aon & tri fichid, fixtyone. Deich & tri fichid, feventy. Aon deug & tri fichid, seventy-one, &c. Ceithar fichid, eighty. Aon & ceithar fichid, eighty-one. Deich & ceithar fichid, ninety. Aon deug & ceithar ficbid, ninety-one. Coig fichid, or ciad, an hundred. Da chiad, two hundred. Mille, deich chiad, a thoufand.

Triochad, thirty; cearachad, forty; feafgad, fixty; feachd-bhad, feventy; ochdbhad, eighty; naoichad, ninety, are Irish, and obsolete.

Ordinals.

An ciad, the first. An dara, fecond. An treas, third. An ceathro, fourth. An coigo, fifth. An Siao, fixth. An Seachdo, seventh. An t ochgo, eighth. An noio, ninth. An deicho, tenth. An t aono deug, eleventh. An dara deug, twelfth. Antreafo deug, thirteenth. An ceathro deug, fourteenth. An ciogo deug, fifteenth: An siao deug, sixteenth. An seachgo deug, seventeenth. An t ochgo deug, eighteenth. An t noio deug, nineteenth. An fichido, twentieth. An t aono thar fhichid,

twenty-first.

thirtieth.

An deicho thar fhichid,

An t aono deug thar fhichid, thirty-first. An da fbichido, fortieth. An t aono thar dha fhichid, forty-first. An deicho thar dha fhichid. fiftieth. An t aono deug thar dha fhichid, fifty-first. An tri fichido, sixtieth. An t aono thar tri fichid, fixty-first. An deicho thar tri fichid, feventieth. At t aono deug thar tri fichid, seventy-first. An ceithar fichido, eightieth. An t aono thar ceithar fichid, eighty-first. An deicho thar ceithar fichid, ninetieth. An t aono deug thar ceithar fichid, ninety-first. An coig fichido, or an ciado, the hundredth.

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Of the Formation of Verbs.

All nouns of action may be conjugated as verbs, without any addition of termination, by observing the flection of the examples already given; as, eisdachd, hearing, conjugated eisdam, I hear; mosgladh, awaking; mosgalam, I awake, &c.

Every verb has in the fyllable or fyllables that compose it, something expressive of its signification, whether rough or smooth, hard or soft, strong or seeble, frequentative or diminutive. These, however, are more commonly expressed in this language by the auxiliary verb, and their vast diversity of adjectives.

The frequentative is expressed as in the participle leimnach, often leaping or hopping.

"'S iad a' leimnach o Offag gu offag."

Offian's Temora, Book vii.

Of Adverbs.

Every adjective noun may be converted into an Adverb by prefixing the fyllable go; thus, math, good; go math; well; aidharach, glad; go aidharach, gladly, &c.

CHAP. X.

Of the Composition of the Parts of Speech.

HE richness of a language consists in the number of its primitives, and their capacity of various composition. The original simple principles of the Galic make it far excel any of the modern, and rival the most ancient languages. The little variegated flection of its nouns and verbs, which is peculiar to itself, and the abundance of its compositions, render it capable of beautifully describing and expresfing the emotions of the mind, without the aid of foreign words; hence it is, that the illiterate peafant on the hills of Scotland, having, in his infancy, had his mind stored with a certain number of primitives and their different modes of inflection, by an eafy, though a various combination with a certain number of particles, speaks his language with elocution, a natural Demosthenes; and there is no word in the language, however compounded, but he understands.

Neither is this language deficient in the terms of art. In Ethics, Jurisprudence, Theology, and Natural History, words are not wanting to express our thoughts, and to instruct others: even in Mathematics, and Natural Philosophy in all its parts, terms can easily be rendered from the Greek into the Galic, by decomposing them in the original, and then translating

lating and joining them afresh; an advantage of which no modern language is possessed.

Composition is effected in Galic by prefixing the prepositions; as, neo-impochadh, unconversion; an-eolach, ignorant; or by rightly uniting simple words; as, grian-stad, the solstice; cru-chaochladh, transsiguration; ceart-chreidach, orthodox; fein-speis, self-love.

The combinable prepositions are in the Galic infeparable, and are as follow:

Ei, equivalent to the English not.

So, equal to the English termination ble.

Co, equal to con in the Latins

Ao, equal to un.

Ath, again; equal to the Latin re.

Mi, un.

Neo, un.

An, very, too; the Latin per; as, an-mhor, very great; eidir, between.

They are thus compounded:

Ei-criona, foolish, unwise. So-thuigse, intelligible. Co-chomun, an union of society, a communion.

Ao-dochas, despair.

Ath-nuadhuchadh, a renewing.

foolish, un- Mi-chriodhol, disheartened, discouraged.

Neo-bhafor, immortal.

Eider-theangichte, interpreted.

An-trom, over heavy, (pergravis.)

The

Geur-chuisach, expert, keen.

Lan-shoilleir, evident.

Buan-mhairachdain, longliv'd.

Molt-fheoil, mutton.

Mart-fheoil, beef.

Muc-fheoil, pork.

Ceithar-chofach, four-

Ioma-chofach, many-foot-

Gorm-bhreac, mixed with blue.

Geal-lamba, white-hand-

Mala-mbin, meek-eyed.

Cam-shronach, the name

Cameron, crook-nofed.

Cam-beulach, Campbell, wry-mouth'd.

Du-glaffach, Douglass, dark-grey.

Craobh-sheanachais, genealogical tree.

Treun-laoch, an hero.

Gear-ghobach, short-bill'd.

Geur-Sgiathach, sharpwinged.

Fuar-bhean, cold mountains.

Binn-foclach, shrill-voiced.

Grian-stad, a solstice.

Marc-shluagh, cavalry.

Tabh-tuath, the north country.

Cliu-thoiltunach, praises worthy.

Aird-mheamnach, highminded.

Culidh-bbroftidh, an in-

Du-fhocal, a parable.

Fein-fhointach, self-sufficient.

Grian-chrios, the zodiac.

Fa-scriobhadh, an appendix.

Geur-leanbhin, persecution.

Idhol-aoradh, idolatry.

Idhol-aoraidh, an idol.

Nua-bhriouchadh, transub-

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Of compounded Verbs.

All active compounded nouns may be resolved into verbs, and may be conjugated by the examples given, like regular verbs; others are declined by means of the auxiliary; and many verbs which in other languages are compounds, in the Galic have the compositive preposition immediately following the verb; thus, athnuadhuchadh, renewing, is the active substantive compounded of ath again, and nuadhuchadh, making new, is resolved into a verb; thus, athnuadhicham, I renewadhicham, I renew, &c. dh'athnuadhich mi, I renewadhicham, I renew, &c. dh'athnuadhich mi, I renewadhicham, I fhall renew, &c.

In these verbs which admit of the slection h after their initial consonants, the same is introduced in both parts of the compounded verb, where the consonants are not immutable. The n in the second part of the past tense, dh'ath-nuadhich, is immutable, and therefore has no h; but in this verb, athghinam, I regenerate; dh'ath-ghin mi, I regenerated, it is perceptible.

Geur-leanbhin, perfecution, is conjugated by the auxiliary; thus, tha mi geur-leanbhin, bha mi geur-leanbhin, &c.

Verbs have some component particles after them,

in this manner, fnamham, I swim; fnamham tharis, I swim over, across, thus,

- " Mar ghlas-fgiath, roi thaomadh nan nial,
- " Snamh tharis tha gealach na h oich."

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Of the Adverb in Composition.

As all primitive, fo all compounded adjectives and participles are used adverbially, by prefixing the syllable go; thus, impoichte, converted; neo-impoichte, unconverted; go neo-impoichte; criodhol, hearty, chearful; neo-chriodhol, disheartened, sorrowful; go neo-chriodhol, forrowfully, in a sorrowful manner.

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SYNTAX.

SYNTAX is the proper disposition of words in a language.

General Rules.

I. An adjective and the article agree with a sub-stantive in gender, number, and case, (the substantive always going before the adjective); as, an (or) a' chaoradh bhan, the white sheep; an duine bochd, the poor man.

Is uamherachd do'n tiarna na beoil bhreugach, Prov. xii. 22.

Coimhdidh bean ghrasor onoir; agus sir laidir saibhras, Prov. xi. 19.

Imich as fianuis an duine amidaich nuair nach mothuich thu ann beul an eolais, Prov. xiv. 7.

- " Mhoraig chiataich a' chuil dualaich,
- "Is e do luaidh a tha air m' aire!

 Macdonald's Odes.

The possessive pronouns mo, my; do, thy; and the masculine a, his, its; have the h aspirate after the initial consonant.

- " O Dhia is tu mo Dhia, go moch
- " Do iarram thu gach la
- " Ro thartor ata m'anam bochd
- "Ann geall ort fein do ghna." Psal lxiii.

When the noun begins with a vowel the aspirate is lost; as, m'anam; d in do, thy, is changed into the before a vowel; as,

O pill rium us dean trocair orm, Thoir neart do t' oglach fein. Do mhac do bhan-oglaich faraon Dean fuasgladh ann a fheim.

The possessive a, his, its, before nouns beginning with vowels, often sinks, and is lost. Thus,

Dhairt

Dhoirt e anam amach, he poured out his foul; instead of dhoirt e a anam, &c. to shun the hiatus.

In this case, if a is the seminine possessive, the b euphonic must be introduced; thus, dhoirt i a h anam amach, she poured out her soul.

The Irish, and even the Scots, needlessly prefix an n to the possessive a of either gender; thus, le na lamb, with his hand; whilst e a lamb, founds agreeably enough, because the vowels are broad and small.

It is fomewhat difficult to know, whether the a be masculine or feminine when the noun begins with any of the immutable consonants. The distinction depends on the sense of the sentence; when seminine, the l, n, or r seems in reading and speaking as if double; thus, le a lamb, with his hand; le a lamb, with her hand, is pronounced as if le a llamb.

As the letter a feems to have so many significations, and to serve so many uses, it may be proper here to settle its extent.—The letter a, in the modern books in Galic, I believe, has as many different meanings as the iod has amongst the Rabinical Doctors of the Jews in their traditions and Caballa. Even Mr. Macfarlane, and Mr. Stewart, the translator of the Scotch version of the New Testament, have written this letter of many meanings without any fixed rule. With them and others,

A signifies his, her.

A, relative pronoun that.

A, for ag, the fign of the present participle.

A, fign of the infinitive.

A, a prepolition, before the names of places fignifies to.

A, for an, the article the.

A, for O! a fign of the vocative; as, a Dhia, O God!

I leave it to any one who has the least knowledge of grammar, whether it be possible for even those who naturally speak the language, to distinguish the one from the other, where the whole may recur twice or oftener in one page. In order therefore to settle the whole, I have consulted the genius of the language, and dismissed them all except three, which I explain as follows:

A', for an, the article used before such nouns of the feminine as begin with particular letters, such as b, c, p, m, &c. as, a' chaoradh, the sheep; a' bhiastog, the worm; a' bhean, the woman.

A, the relative pronoun that, which has generally its antecedent substantive immediately before it, and which distinguisheth it from

A, the possessive pronoun, bis, her, its.

First, the relative, and then the possessive, may be seen in the following examples:

Is fonadh an ti a gheibh eagnai, agus an duine a gheibh tuigfe.

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

Oir is fearr a ceannachd na ceannachd airgaid, agus a tairbh na or glan.

For the merchandise of it is better than filver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

II. A verb agrees with its nominative after it immediately; as, chruinich mi, I affembled; scrìobh e, he wrote; ghlac iad, they received.

Duisgidh fuath, imreason; ach folachidh gradh gach cionta.

Hatred flirreth up strife; but love covereth all sins.

Teasairgidh trocair & sirin an rìogh: agus le trocair cumar suas a chathair.

Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy.

The relative a, and the pronoun an ti, he, require the aspirate in the verb, though in the present tense; thus,

> An ti chuiras, is e a bhuainas. He that foweth shall reap.

III. When two substantives come together signifying different things, the latter is put in the genitive; as, mulach a' chin, the crown of the head; bonn na cois, the sole of the foot; lamb fir, a man's head.

Tha mallachd De an tigh an droch-dhuine: ach beannuchidh e aitra an ioraic.

The curse of the Lord is in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just. Prov. iii. 33.

Na tig asteach ann casan nan ciontach; agus na gluais ann slighe nan droch-dhaoine.

Enter not into the path of the wicked; and go not in the way of evil men.

Names of quantity also govern the genitive; as, moran ionnais, much treasure; began sonais, little good.

IV. Partitives, Superlatives, and Interrogatives govern the Dative, and sometimes the Ablative plural; as, co agin? which of us? aon dhiu, one of them; aon is laidre do'n Fheine, the strongest of the Fingalians.

Is onoraiche anois an gniomh,
No coig ceud mile bola;
'S fearr aon siola dfhuil's ann stri
Na Galloin fhion air borda.

Macdonald's Odes.
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V. The measure of any thing has the preposition air before the dimension; as, da shichid traigh air doimhnachd, forty feet deep.

VI. Adjectives of plenty and want govern the genitive or dative; thus, lan fion, full of wine; fallamh do thuigfe, void of understanding.

All those Adjectives which signify any affection of the mind have the preposition air before the following nouns; thus, math air fairge, experienced at sea; eolach air lagh, skilled in law, juris peritus.

VII. An active verb governs the Accusative; as, bhuail e me, he struck me: scrìobh e littir, he wrote a letter:—Duisgidh fuath imreason: ach folachidh gradh gach cionta.—Hatred stirreth up strife; but love covereth all sins.—Prov.

N. B. We cannot with strict propriety say that the Galic has an accusative, because the nominative and accusative are always the same. This construction means, that the noun (next to its immediate nominative) following the verb must be of the nominative case. To prove this, duisgidh imreason is the verb and nominative, as well as duisgidh fuath, only fuath is here next the verb: so both are of the nominative; the situation only determining the nominative or person, and the governed noun.

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of any of the combined tenses, where the participle occurs, the noun following is of the genitive case; as, dh'eisdachd sgeoil, to hear news; ag rusgadh nan craobh, stripping the trees. And if the word governed be any of the pronouns, it must go before the verb; thus, Bhraithre ionmhin tha an scrioptoir ag ar brosnuchadh ann iomad ait, &c.—Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places, &c.

Here I think it proper to interdict the false constructions common in conversation, and which the Rev. Mr Macfarlane of Killinvir, the only person who feems to have studied the genius of the language, frequently falls into. Instead of writing ag ar brofnuchadh, he writes, as it is rapidly pronounced in common speech, gar brosnuchadh; nor does he at the same time account for the part of speech gar, but leaves it mytterious and undetermined. In like manner gam, instead of ag mo; as, ag mo bhuair adh, disturbing or tempting me; gam bhuairadh: fo gam eisdachd, or gam' eisdachd, in place of ag m' eisdachd, hearing me, or listening to me: so likewise gan, in place of ag an; as, gan eistachd, instead of ag an eisdachd. The cause of this mistake, I am certain, is writing from the ear only, without an allowance for the velocity of found.

VIII The infinitive (formed by the dative of the present participle) follows a verb of motion; as chuaidh

aidh e dhufgadh chlach, he went to raise stones; or has the noun governed going before it; as, tha e ceart Dia mholadh, it is right to praise God: and if an adjective come before it, though at a distance, the aspirate h is dropped, or the nominative of the participle is used; thus, Is egin dhamh scrìobhadh, I must write; tha mi deonach dol amach, I am willing to go out.

IX. The auxiliary verb ata, or tha, and is, with the prepositions ag or le, govern the ablative; tha e agad, you have it; is leam e, it is mine.

When a substantive comes after the participle perfect of the active voice (made by putting air before the present), the substantive following is put in the dative; as, air labhairt dhamh, I having spoke, or when I spake. This construction is equivalent to the Latin ablative absolute.

XI. The interjections O, and some others, come before the vocative; as, O dhuine! O man!

EXCEPTION. Anaobhin, and mairg, like the Latin bei and va, govern the dative; as, anaobhin dhuibh, woe unto you.

XII. The subjunctive particles cho, cho'n, cho do, not, chum agus gu, as observed under the article of Verb, are joined with the subjunctive mood. And,

XIII. The conditional particles ma, if; nuair, when; antra, when, &c. before the indicative; examples of which follow:

Subjunctive.

Indicative.

An cruinich mise? do, or can, or may I gather?

Am bheil thu ag cruinuchadh? art thou gathering?

Cho ro finn ag cruinuchadh, we were not gathering.

Chum agus gu do chruinich fibh, fo that ye gathered. Cruinicham, I gather.

Tha mi ag cruinuchadh, I am gathering.

Bhasinn ag cruinuchadh, we were gathering.

Chruinich sibh, ye gathered.

XIV. In all languages conjunctions couple like tenses and cases; as, damsidh thusa us seinidh mise, you shall dance and I will sing; a' bhean on a paisdan, wife and children.

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BOOK IV.

PROSODY.

Sounds are either quick or flow, rough or fmooth, strong or feeble. From the various modifications of these in a language, may, perhaps, be discovered, the manners, the temperament, and feelings of a people, at the time of its formation. The Gael, when their language was formed, seem to have been in that state of society, when the arts of peace and war were not entirely strangers; when it was an approved maxim, to "bind the strong in "arms, but spare the feeble hand, be a stream of "many tides against the foes of thy people, but like "the gale that moves the grass to those who ask thy "aid."

was the genius of the language in the days of Trenmor and of Fingal, and even now it is the most suited either to rouse the soul to seats of arms, or inspire pity in the relentless breast;

" To foften rocks, and bend the knotted oak."

"The intermixing of long and short syllables renders a language most agreeable. Italian words,
like those of the Greek and Latin, have this property almost universally, the English and French
words are generally deficient; in the former the
long syllable being generally removed from the end
as far as the sound will permit; and in the latter,
the last syllable being generally long *." But
what renders a language chiefly agreeable, is its
power of expressing in sound the nature of the thing
signified; this is the true standard to estimate the merit of a language, and tried by which, the Galic will
be found inferior to none.

In the Galic certain letters have strong, bold, smooth, or solemn sounds. O and u are bold, strong, and solemn. The combinations ai, ei, are chearful and soft; as failte! hail! compailt, company; aighar, joy. Ao is soft and solemn; as, aoradh, worship; aois, old age. Eo, io, are musical; as, ceol, music; seoladh, sailing; iosal, low.

Confonants likewise have their inherent power of expression.

^{*} Elements of Criticism.

expression. L, and the combinations bh and mh are soft and meek; as, liobha, smooth; sleamhin, slippery; feamh, mild; caomh, meek.—C and g, with their combinations ch and gh, are soft, sprightly, and forcible.—R is angry and proud; as, troid, scolding; brod, pride; ardan, haughtiness.

All fyllables are long or short in their sound; words are made up of one or more syllables; and a sufficient number of words compose a sentence. A sentence, therefore being constituted by words of one or many syllables, or seet, which are long and short, the sentence itself must have many syllables, or seet, long and short. Prose and verse, then, differ only in this, that the first is irregular, and written according to every one's fancy; but the last is always fixed, and subject to rule.

Of Rhime.

No language is more susceptible of Rhime than the Galic; it is not, like the Greek and Latin, chained to certain terminations, which resuse rhime, but at once admits of all the variety of antient and modern versification.

Final rhime in Galic does not consist in terminations of similar letters, but in the last strongly pronounced vowel or dipthong in a word. Thus, Geol and coir; nan and beann; taom, caoin; sioth, sios; won, trom, &c. are true rhimes; as,

R

Inghina Shalem! duifgibh nois an ceol
Dh'orana neamhidh 'n guth is aird' is coir!
Neamhidh mar dhriuchd anuas an iocfhlant taom
Us ann an geal-fhath fiol an fhras go caoin!
Faic togal fuas a chean ard Lebanon,
Faic air na cnoic ag damhfadh cranna trom.

It has also, as well as the English, double rhime.

- "You'll find, if once the monarch acts the monk,
- " Or, cobler-like, the parfon will get drunk;
- "Worth makes the man, and want of it the fellow.
- " The rest is all but leather or prunella.

So,

Faic neoil lan spios ag eirachd suas o Sharon, Us lus-mhaoth Carmel dea-bholadh nan Speuran.

Of Measure.

The Galic poetry, unlike the English, which is generally confined to disfyllables and monosyllables, admits of words of any length. Galic poets never yet wrote by any other rule than the ear, and certain pieces of music; and for that reason, though we may casily see what fort of measure each piece delights in, the uniformity of the same number of similar measures in every line, does not always return. This may be easily accounted for, by observ-

ing, that all compositions have hitherto been orally repeated, and which, by different persons, will ever be differently performed: whereas, had these pieces been written, every one would have repeated them alike. Even Ossian's poem could not be scanned; for every reciting bard pronounced some words differently, and sometimes substituted one for another. Nevertheless, the poetry always pleases the ear, and is well adapted to the music for which it was originally intended; and the language and composition seldom fail to please the fancy, and gain approbation.

Having no correct edition of any poem in the language, we can only in general observe what measures their poets employ, and recommend regularity and method to future writers. Since vocal effort by nature is the same in all languages, the Galic measures by the same seet as every other tongue; viz. Dactyles, Spondees, lambs, Trochees, &c.

Dactyle -00, one long, and two short syllables; as, aithrachas, repentance; dleasdanach, dutiful; bachlagach, of, or belonging to curling locks.

Spondee --, two long fyllables; as, iomlan, perfect; ofcion, above.

Iamb o-, a fhort and a long fyllable; coineal, a candle.

Trochee -0, one long, and one short syllable; as, fambradh, summer; geambradh, winter; carrach, spring; faombar, harvest; crabbach, religious.

Of the different Sorts of Poetry.

Heroics of ten feet are generally iambs; thus,

Neamhidh! mar dhriuchd anuas an iocshlaint

Us, ann an geal-fhath, siol an fhras go caoin!
Le tin's le lag ni cuiduchadh an lus,
O dhoinnunn fasgadh, dubhradh fuar o theas;
Gach eucoir sguiridh, siubhlidh ciontan sean,
Us togidh Ceartas ris ag tein a meigh;
Mach thar an t saol slat ola sinidh Sioth,
'S ann truscan geal theid Neochiontas 'nsin sios.

The measure of Ossian's poetry is very irregular and various. Generally he has couplets of eight, though they do not rhime, and seven, and sometimes nine syllables. These seet are most commonly trochee and dastyle. The trochee occupies the first, dastyle the second and third, and a long syllable ends the line. Thus,

Thanic errach le fioladh nan speur,
Cho d'eirich duill' uaine dhamh fein.
Chunic oigna me samhach 's an talla,
Agus bhuail iad clairsach nam fonn.
Bha deoir ag taomadh le gruaidhan Mhalmhin;
Chunic oigh' me 's mo thuiradh go trom.
C'uim' am bheil thu co tuirsach a' m' shianuis,
Chaomh Ainnir og Luath-ath nan sruth?

An

An ro e sgiamhach mar dhearsa na greine?

Am bu cho tlachdor a shiubhal's a chruth?

'S taitnach t fhonn ann cluas Ossian,

Nighain Lu ath-ath nan fruth dian.

Ossian's Malvina's Dream.

These lines have beauties that the translation, notwithstanding its excellence, has not been able to display.

The Editors of the Galic Psalms confined their measure to eight and six syllables; thus,

Sior-bheannuchibh Dehobha mor,

O! aingla treun ann neart,

Tha deanamh iarrtais mar is coir,

Ag eifdachd re a reachd.

Pfal. ciii. 20.

The following stanza, from a beautiful ode by Macintyre, though originally wrote to a certain tune, however, preserves a regular return of rhime. The lines are alternately nine and seven syllables; the second and sourth rhime; and sometimes the first and third.

Do chuach-fhalt ban air fas co barrail,
'S a bhar lan chamag us dhual;
T'aghai ghlan, mhalta, narach, bheanal,
Dho dha chaol-mhala gan ghruaim;
Suil ghorm, liontach, mhin-rofg, mheallach,
Gun di cur fal' ann do ghruaidh,

Dead

Dead gheal iobhri, dhionach, dhaingean, Beul bidh nach canadh ach stuaim.

Shiubhladh tu fafach airidh gline,
'S an ait ann cinnadh an fpreidh,
'G am bleothan mu chro; 's bhith'dh choir na h
innis,

Laoigh og ag miradh 's ag leum; Cho mheafa do lamh 's tu lamh ri coinnail No'n feomar foilleir ri grein, Ag fuaidhal 's ag faimadh bhan us phionar, Ann am chur grinnis air greus.

The same poet, though illiterate, exclusive of his tune, seems to have a design in making the second and fourth, and sometimes the first and third rhime with each other, as in the preceding example. The following stanza from his Description of Coire Cheathaich, has in the first line ten, and in the second nine syllables.

'S a' mhaddin chiuin-gheal, ann am dhamh dufgadh,
Aig bun na stuice b'e 'n fugradh leam:
A' chearc le sgiucan ag gabhal tuchain,
'S an caolach cuirtal ag durdal crom.
An dreathan surdal, 's a riobhaid chiuil aige,
Ag cur nan smuid dheth go luthor binn,
An truid 's am bru-dhearg, le moran unaich,
Re ceilar sundach bu shiubhlach rann.

There is a poem composed by the same author,

the variety of which is fingular. It is called Beindorain. The stanzas are very long. The first is recitative; of which the first line is iambic, and consists of seven syllables; the second of sour syllables, the three last make a dactyle. The second couplet repeats the same feet, and then goes on in the most diversified measures of dactyle, trochee and iamb. One imagines, on reading them, he sees an army of men on a hasty march; sometimes running, sometimes halting at once, then slowly moving, again running, and stopping at once, in strange variety. Macintyre, in this poem, imitated Macdonald, who wrote two pieces, in the same style, set to Piobairachd—

The following is a specimen from Macintyre;

B'i fin a' mhaoslach luainach,
Feadh oganan;
Biolaichan nan bruach
'S aite comhnuidh dhi,
Duilagan nan craobh,
Criomagan a gaoil,
Cho b' e 'm fotrus.
A h aigna ea-trom suairc,
Aobhach ait gan ghruaim,
Cean bu bhraise, ghuanaiche,
Ghoraiche;
A' chre bu cheanalt stuaim,
Chalich i go buan
Ann glean a' bharaich uaine
Bu nosaire.

Second part, flower.

'S i 'n eilaid bheg, bhinnach,
Bu ghunaiche fraonadh,
Le cuinein geur, biorach,
Ag firadh na gaoithe,
Gafganach, fpeirach,
Feadh chreachan na beine,
Le eagal roi theine,
Cho teirin i aonach, &c.

Third part, flow.

Cho b' aithne dhamh co leanadh i
Do fheara na roin Eorpa,
Mur faicadh e dea-ghean urra,
'S tein farasda 'n a co-dhail,
Go faitach bhith 'n a h earalas,
Tein am faigse dhi m'an corruich i,
Go faicilach, gle earralach,
Man fairich i 'n a coir e, &c.

These different measures are called urlar, subhal, and An crunluath.

There is a species of poetry peculiar to the Gael called Iurram and Orain luathaidh. The music of the Iurram has always that mixture of grandeur and melancholy that never fails to gain its end. They are sung on board of ships and buirlings by the sailors, when they row or work, to deceive the time. The subject

fubject is generally the life and actions of some chief or relation. The language is fuch as to express the fentiments and actions described; the music, expresfion, and the strokes of the oars, coinciding in such exact time, both the failor and passenger forget their hardships and fatigue, even in the most inclement feafons. The Oran luathaidh, with the same view, is fung when they work on shore, and derives its name from luthadh, milling or fulling. Till very lately, fulling of cloth by mills was not known in the Highlands, and in some parts is not yet introduced. They fulled their cloth by laying it wet on an extended frame of rods wattled together, around which were placed as many women as could conveniently be employed, who, by an alternate motion of their feet, kept the cloth in perpetual rotation. One of them, in the mean time, fung the verse, and all the rest at once joined in the chorus. And even at this day. when these fongs are fung in genteel company, a lady's handkerchief or a gentleman's bonnet supplies the place of the piece of cloth, every one taking hold of a corner. The time of this species of singing is not fo quick as that of the Reel, nor fo flow as the Iurram. It is exceedingly lively, however, and justifies what a French gentleman observed of the Scots music: La musique Eccossoise sur tout pour le divertissement & toucher le coeur. The following is a specimen of an Oran-luathaidh :

I.

Togamid fonn air luathadh a chlolain, Gabhamid ceol us orain mhatha.

Chorus.

Horo gu'n togin air shugan fhathasd, Horo i io man d'theid mi laidhidh; Horo gu'n togin air shugan fhathasd.

II.

B'fheard' an clo bhith choir nan gruagach, Dheanadh an luathadh le 'n lamhan. Horo, &c.

III.

Nuair thionduichas iad air cleath e Chluintadh fuaim gach te dhiu labhairt. Horo, &c.

IV.

Orain ghrinne, bhinne, mhiste Aig na riobhinan 'g an gabhal. Horo, &c.

Specimens * of true Orthography.

SOLILOQUY.

Sweet is the breath of morn, her rifing fweet With charm of earliest birds

Milton's Par. Loft, B. IV.

MOCH am maddin shamrich, nuair bha'n t athar fionnor, an talamh tais, agus aghai na Cruthachd, go leir, uror, sgiamhach, dh' erich agus chuaidh mi mach. Is gann bha 'n saol bruinach air mosgladh; cho do chrath Sgios dhe a throm-chodal go leir; agus cho ro Stri ach air aomadh a cin ghuanaich. Bha gach ni feathal. Bha gach ni fonnor. Bha gach ni ag aomadh gu tamh Inntin agus ag brosnuchadh smuainta glic. Threig an Uisog amhain a nead ag eirich air

* I thought it proper to give some pieces in prose and verse, both as specimens of the right Orthography, and as illustrations of my Grammatical System. And here I must observe, that the sew books hitherto published in the language, however excellent the composition may otherways be, are so inaccurate in respect of orthography, that I can hardly select one paragraph without making amendments. The Rev. Mr. Macsarlane's translation of Baxter's Call to the Unconverted, printed by Foulis of Glasgow, 1750, is the most accurate that has appeared; but he too has his errata; they are sew, however, and when we consider that he had no guide to direct his course, we must ever admire his ingenuity.

air an sgeath dh'altuchadh beatha an nua-la. Air a h arduchadh anns an athar, bha i gairm nam fearoibre mach, agus a luchd-ciuil fein gu sein. Eoin is moiche gluasachd, thuirt mise, chompanaich na maddin! eiram ghna leatse! Eiram thairigsin oran na maddin, agus dh'aoradh an Ti mhoir sin a bheir air dol amach na maddin & an sheascair luath-ghair dheanamh. O! Cia tlachdor dol amach anns an uair mhoch so! Mhealtin feath Naduir & bhlasachd urorachd na maddin!

Caochluchidh na neoil ghorm uigh air uigh. Dathidh ruidha dearg na fpeuran, gus am fas aghi ghorm na maddin, fadheoi, mar gu bithadh i fgedichte go leir le naire. Am bheil mise fos ann mo chodal? Am bruadar fo? Am feud e bith? No am bheil na fpeura, reradh, dearg le gnuif-naire, uirad do dhaoine fhaicin agus an cin trom-chodlach air aodhartan? An coidal daoine ann focair shuaimhnach? An caith iad na h uaira priofal fin ann leife; nuair tha a' ghrian ann aird & ag dol air gnothach a Cruthior? Nuair tha eunli an athair ag laoi-mholadh De agus ag aoradh le co-sheirm. Oh! na bithadh e mar so! Duisgamid ni is airde ceol na muintir fo, le guth aoraidh reufonta chur ris. Meadichamid iobairta deagh-bholtrach Naduir, le coimeasc molaidh ar bili-ne is foirfaiche. leis an tuis a tha 'g eirich o'n talamh.

Mar nach bheil toradh, is amhli cho'n 'eil Aoibhnas, no Criodhalachd ann, gan a' ghrian. Nuair chraobhfgaolas Triach caomh fin an la, Coinolachd a Ghloirmhaddin,

mhaddin, bithidh na uile Chretoira beathal le a lathair. fuilmhor & aidharach le a thiolacaidh. Eirichidh milte do pheistogan, chum beatha, d'an grianuchadh ann a ghathana. Cliofgidh na h eoin o an codal & doirtidh iad amach an anaman aoibhnach ann cofheirm Le meilach bheir na treuda buidhachas airfon na maddin; agus innfidh an t ealach le ard-gheimnach taincolachd. Tha na glin ag arris a' chiul fin; agus na cnoic ag fregairt do'n fhonn. Tha gach bith ag am bheil guth ag aontuchadh anns an oran fo; tha gach ni ag am bheil beatha gairdach ann a chliu.

Dhirich mi tuloch agus ghabh mi fealadh do'n Duthich mancuairt. O! an fealadh a chunic mi! Cia farsin, Cia lan agus pailt anns gach ni! am beartas Naduir go leir! Cia beartach agus neo-thraiach an Tigh-stoir a tha annso! Air leamse gu faicam anns na leabhran fin, eidir-mhinuchadh foilleir air an deamholadh fin air mathas De: "Tha Suilan gach ni " feithamh ort, agus bheir thu dhoibh am biadh ann " am feim Fosglidh thu do lamh go toirbheartach " agus fafuchidh thu mian gach ni beo.---"

- "These are thy glorious works, Parent of good,
- " Almighty! thine this univerfal frame,
- "Thus wondrous fair! thyfelf how wondrous then!

Milton.

Air an lamh fo faicam an cuan mor, fairfin gan chrioch, air an feol ioma long, le mairfontachd nan Innfa fad amach, na h aird an near & niar, ag ar freafdal freasdal le nithe priosol na talmhuin, agus obair riomhach, greante, lamh daoine. Faicam an cuan air am plod cabhlach cogaidh nan riogh; gach aon dibh air a h armadh le Accuin-bhais; sgeduichte le ioma breid geal, ard ann cran; daingan gu conruig mar chaistal no creug; agus mar mhiol-chu siubhlach dhol anns an toir.

Ann calladh bualidh long bha fad uain, ag aisig, do a chairdan an ti, ris nach ro duil am feafd. Cruinuchidh an faol, mancuairt, aoibhnach ann Gairdachas an coimharfnaich; agus dfhaicin a' chrìodh, bha brifte. air a leighas; nuair tha Miann, Muirne agus Gradh a' chrìodh fin, air aifig dha. Chunic mi aon uair iad bha gairdach leofan rinn Gairdachas; bha gul leofan a ghul. Chunic mi gairdachas agus gul, aoibhnas agus bron, le cheile, ag lafadh, agus ag muchadh na h aigne; folas agus dolas ann aon uair ag leighas agus ag bristadh a' chrìodh chedn. Chunic mi dis a bha dilis do cheile, re ioma blianadh, air tachairt, nach dealich ni 's mo; agus an lanain bha air an fgarachdin, aris fonadh le cheile. Dh'innis iad ioma fgeul. Soirbhas agus Doirbhas, ris an d'eisd a' chuidachd mhaoth, ag glafadh ma mhuinal an Athair, & ag iarridh tearmuin ann a uchd. Annsin thug iad uile buidhachas agus taing, ag fein Cumhachd & Mathas De, mar leanas.

Tha loingas fiubhal ann go tiugh,
'S an Lebhiaton mor,
A' bheist a dhealbhadh, aimhal, leat,
Re mirag ann le treoir.

THE GALIC LANGUAGE: 143

Na sloigh od uile tha'd O Dhia!

Ag feithamh ort do ghna,

Do chum gu tugadh tu dhoibh biadh,

D'an cumal beo, gach tra.—Pfal. civ. 26, 27.

O! b'fhearr gu moladh daoine Dia, Airson a mhathais chaoin; 'S airson a bhearta iongantach Rinn e do chlan nan daoin. Luchd loingais theid air muir's a bhith 's, Re gnìomh ann uifgan buan; Dhoibhfan is leir mor oibra De. Us iongantais 's a' chuan. Air Iartas duifgar fuas a' ghaoth, Go ard 's go doineinach: Le 'n togar fuas, go attor, borb. Na tonna garbh ma feach. Tha 'd uair gu neamh ag erich suas, Tha 'd, uair, dol doingan fios, Ionnus gu d' leagh an nam truagh, Le triobloid chruaidh, 's le sgios. Dol, chuig' us uaidh', go tuislach fos, Amhli mar dhuin' air mhifg, Ionnus gu d' threig, go builach, iad, Gach gliocas bha 'n am meafg. Ghlaodh iad, annfin, re Dia 'n an tein, O'n triobloid shaor e iad; Us chuiradh, leis, an stoirm, gu feath, 'S na tuin 'n an tamh do bha'd. Annsin ata iad ait, airson Gu bheil iad famhach, beo;

AN ANALYSIS OF

'S gu d' thug e iad do'n challadh sin, 'S do'n phort, bu mhiannach leo.

Uime sin.

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O! b'fhearr gu moladh daoine Dia,
Airson a mhathas chaoin;
'S arson a bhearta iongantach,
Rion e do chlan nan daoin.—Psal. cvii. 12,—30.

IOB, CAIB XVIX. 11,-20.

Nuair chualadh a' chluas me, annsin bheannich i me; agus nuair chunic an t suil me, thog i fianuis leam.

Chion gu do shaor mi am bochd a ghlaodh, an dilachd, agus an ti, aig nach ro aon d' a chuiduchadh.

Thanic beannachd an ti bha reidh chum bais orm; agus thug mi air crìodh na beantraich, luath-ghair dheanamh.

Chuir mi ionracas umam, agus fgeudich e me; agus bha mo bhreathanas mar chrun, agus mar thruscan.

Bha mi mar shuilan do'n dall, agus mar chosan do'n bhacach.

Bha mi 'm m'athair do'p bhochd; agus a' chuis, nach b' aithnadh dhamh, ransuich mi mach.

Agus bhris mi gial an droch-dhuine; agus tharruin mi an edail as fhiaclan.

Annfin

Annsin thuirt mi, gheibh mi bas ann mo neud; agus meaduchidh mi mo laan mar ghainamh.

Leaduichar mo fhreimh lamh ris na huifgan, agus laidhidh an driuchd, feadh na h oich, air mo bheangan *!

The Speech of Galgacus +, translated from the Latin of Tacitus, in his Life of Agricola.

Gach uair smuaintas mi air abhar a' chogaidh fo, agus an egin anns am bheil fin, tha mo chrìodh ag innfadh dhamh, gu cuir an la diugh, ma bhithas fibh uile deonach agus aonin- consensumque tinach, crìoch air a' chogadh trum, initium libertafo, agus gu fgaolar cuibhrach tis totius Britannia Bhrettuin go leir. Oir bha sin fore. Nam et uniuile, ach beg, ann Daorse, agus cho'n 'eil cearna don tir,

Quotiens caufas belli & necessitatem nostram intueor. magnus mihi animus est, hodiernum diem. versi servitutis expertes: & nulla ultra

* It were to be wished, that a complete Translation of the Old and New Testaments were printed according to the Orthography of the above specimen.

+ Pronounced at the head of an army of Caledonians, when about to engage the Roman army on the Grampian Hills.

no an fhairge fein, tearuinte dhuin, nuair tha am plod Romanach bagar oirin. Marso tha cogadh, us airm, bha onorach do ghaifgaich, anois, mar dhidan cintach do ghealtairan. Anns na blair, a chuiradh, roi, ris na Romanaich nach d'thug buaidh, bha ar dochas agus ar bunn ann ar lamhan fein: bhri gu bu fin a b' uaisle ann am Brettun uile, agus ann comhnuidh anns a' chearna is faide mach, nach facadh, riamh, cladach thrailan, no an fuilan mio-naomhichte le Antiarnas fhaicin. Dhion ar n uaignas finne, a' chuid is faide mach do'n t faol, agus a' mhuintir is deiranaiche aig am bheil Saorse, gus an la diugh. Anois tha crioch Bhrettuin'n ar fealladh; agus is minic tha gach ni coigrach, agus dorch, mor agus ainmol. Ach anois cho'n 'eil cinnadh fa-bith air ar cul, cho 'n 'eil ni ach an fhairge us na creugan; agus na Romanaich, air ar n aghai, noch tha fibh, ann dìomhanas, ag feachnadh. Tha iadfan, Spui-

trà terra, ac ne maer quidem securum, imminente nobis classe Romaná, ita prælium atque arma, qua fortibus honesta, eadem etiam ignavis tutiffima funt. Priores pugna, quibus adversus Romanos varia fortuna certatum eft, Spem ac subsidium in nostris manibus babebant : quia nobilislimi totius Britannia, eoque in ipsis penetralibus siti, nec servientium littora afpicientes, oculos, quoque à contactu dominationis inviolatos habebamus. Nos terrarum ac libertatis extremos, recessus ipse ac simus famæ in hunc diem defendit. Nunc terminus Britannia patet. Atque omne ignotum, pro magnifico est. nulla jam ultra gens, nibil

nadairan an t saoil go leir, an nihil nisi fluctus & deigh na tir do fgrios, ag foir- faxa; & interiores fadh na fairge cuidachd. Ma Romani. Quorum sutha an namhid beartach, tha perbiam frustra per iadfan fantach; ma tha iad obsequium & modestibochd, gloirmhiannach; noch am effugeris. Rapnach do fhafuich an aird an Near no an Niar. Do na h uile cuncia vastantibus dhaoine, fantuchidh iadfan, ionnan, beartas agus bochdin. Mortuidh iad, togidh iad creach, agus go eucorach gabhidh iad coir; agus, an deigh duthich fgrios lom, mar fhafach, their iad Sioth-chaint ris. Is e mian Naduir an clan & an cairdan bhith dilis do gach neach: tha iadfan air an toirt uain, gu tir eile, am bruid; agus tha ar mnaan agus ar peithran, ma theachan iad am mianna naimhdal, ann cairdas & aidh alachd, air am milladh. Thug iad, uaine, ar n arnais agus ar cuid, mar dheachbhidh, agus ar graine mar inlidh. Caithidh iad ar cuirp & ar lamhan gearradh choiltan & glanadh mhointach, fo mhasladh & fo bhuillan. Tha daoine faor, rugadh chum trailalachd,

tores orbis, postquam defuere terra, & mare scrutantur: si locuples hostis est, avari: si pauper, ambitiofi. Quos non Oriens, non Occidens. Satiaverit: Soli omnium, opes atque inopiam pari effectu concupiscunt. Auferre. trucidare, rapere falfis nominibus imperium: atque ubi folitudinem faciunt, pacem appellant. Liberos cuique ac propinquos fuos natura cariffimos esse voluit: hi per dilectus alibi servituti auferuntur. Conjuges, fororesque, & fi hostilem libidinem effugiant, nomiair an ceannach, aon uair, agus air am beathuchadh le am maistiran; ach tha Brettun, gach la, ceannachd a daorfe fein, gach la ag a beathuchadh. Agus ann an Tealach mar tha gach aon is deiranaiche thig. chulidh - fanoid do'n mhuintir eile: ceart mar sin anns an tealach fo is fine air thalamh, tha finne, is deiranaiche agus is truailidhe, air bord ar fgrios. Agus cho'n 'eil aginne fearan no mitailte, no calladh chum an d'theid fin. Tuile fos, tha misnach treunas & runachd nan iocran neothaitnach do na h uachdrain: mar is moa tha fibhfe tearuinte, is moa an amharasfan. Uime sin, o tha ar dochas air a chall, fadheoi glacibh-fe mifnach leis an cominach flainte & faorse ri onoir & urram. Fo cheanfalachd mna, chuir na Brigantaich teine ri an aituchas, agus ghlac iad an daingnuchais. Agus mur bhithadh gu do' thiondaidh iad an dea-fhortun gu leifg, thilgadh iad dhibh an

ne amicorum atque hospitum poluuntur. Bona fortunasque in tributum egerunt; in annonam, frumentum. Corporaipsa ac manus, sylvis ac paludibus emuniendis, verbera inter ac con. tumelias, conterunt. Nata servituti mancipia semel veneunt, atque ultro á dominis aluntur: Britannia servitutem suam quotidie emit, quotidie pascit. At sicut in familia recentissimus quisque servorum & conservis ludibrioest: sic in boc orbis terrarum vetere famulatu. novi nos & viles in excidium petimur. Neque enim aura nobis, aut metalla, aut portus sunt, quibus exercendis reservemur. Virtus porro ac ferocia subjectorum, ingrata imperantibus cuibhrach. Ach finne flan agus neo-chuibhrichte, cho 'n 'eil fin ag stribh airfon ar faorse fein, ach leigidh fin fhaicin do'n t faol, anns a' chiad dol fiois ciod iad na fir a chuir Albin amach. An creid fish gu bheil misnach, ann cogadh, aig na Romanaich, mar tha iad uailol le bold & antiarnas ann fiothchaint! Ma fgaras sinne & ma bhithas fin. le mi-chordadh, iomreusonach, bithidh iadsan mor; oir is e gealtairachd an namhaid gloir an armailte-fan; mar faol fibh gu coimheadtadh na Francaich & na Germanaich, agus (narach innfadh!) a' chuid is moa do na Brettunaich toirt fola do choigraich, ni is faide mar naimhdan no mar thrailan, air an onoir agus an gradh. Is lag am bann gaoil eagal & oilt: noch nuair bhuinas tu as, gabhidh iadfan fuath, ag fgur bhith eagalach roimhad. Tha gach ni ag

& longinguitas ac secretum ipsum quo tutius, eo suspectius. Ita sublata Spevenie, tandem sumite animum, tam quibus falus, quam quibus gloria cariffima est. Brigantes, femina duce, exurere coloniam, expugnare castra: ac nisi felicitas in secordiam vertisset, exuere jugum potuere: nos integri & indomiti & libertatem nonin pra-Sentia laturi, primo statim congressu unde oftendamus quos sibi Caledonia viros seposuerit. An eandem Romanis in bello virtutem, quam in pace lasciviam adesse creditis? Nostrisillidisceffinibus ac discordiis clari, vitia hostium in gleriam exercitus sui vertunt: quem contrac. tum ex diver siffimis gentibus, ut secunda res tenent, ita adversa dissolvent. Nisi si Gallos, & Germanos, & (pudet dicar brofnuchadh, agus ag gealtuin buaidh dhuin; ach fin fein bhith deonach: cho 'n 'eil am mnaan ag brofnuchadh nan Romanach: cho 'n 'eil cairdan miomholadh an teithaidh. Ma tha tir acca is coimhach i: Tha na Dea toirt dhuinne, go conruic, began, eglach aineolas. ag fealtin neaimh agus thallaimh, nan coiltan, na fairge agus gach ni nach aithnuich iad. Na cuiradh nithe faoin egal oiribh: lannir an oir, agus follus an airgaid, nach dion, agus nach loit! Gheibh fin ar treise ann airmailta nan naimhdan. Seafadh na Brettunaich an cuis fein! Cuimhnuchidhna Francaich an faorse o chian. Treigidh a' chuid eiled o na Germanaich iad mar rinn na Usipianaich cheanadh. cho 'n 'eil ni chur egail oiribh, ach daingnaich gan daoine; tirachaidh fhean-daoine, meafg iocrain cheanair-cach & uachdrain tul Britannorum plerosque dominationi alienæ sanguinem commodantes, diutius tamen hostes quam servos, fide & affectu teneri putatis: metus & terror est, infirma vincula caritatis; que ubi removeris, qui timere desierint, odisse incipient. Omnia victoria incitamenta pronobis sunt: nulla Romanos conjuges accendunt: nulli parentes fugam exprobraturi sunt: aut nulla plerisque patria, aut alia est: paucos numero circum trepidos ignorantia, celum ipsum ac mare & filvas ignota omnia circumspectantes. claufos quodammodo ac vinctos alii nobis tradiderunt. Ne terreat vanus aspectus: & auri fulgor atque argenti, quod neque tegit, neque vulnerat. Inipfa hostium acie inveniemus nostras manus. Agnoscent Britan. neo-laghal. Is iad fin ar n airmailta, is mise bhar ceanart; annsin tha bhar deach bhidh, bhar cuibhrach, agus gach pianas thrailan, a dfheudas fibh air a' mhachaire fo mhealtuin re bhar beo; no thilgin dhibh go fiorruidh. Nois, fadheoi, chuimnuchibh air mead bhar fola agus daoine, bhar faorse fein agus bhar tir; cuimhnuchibh bhar finfira, fibh fein, bhar fliochd, agus leanibh mife.

ni suam causam. Recordabuntur Galli priorem libertatem. Deserent illos ceteri Germani, tamquam nuper Usipii reliquerunt. Nec quidquamultra formidinis, vacua castella, senum colonia, inter male parentes & injuste imperantes, agra municipia & metalla, & cetera fervientium pæna: quas in aternum proferre, aut statim ulcifci, in hoc camps eft. Proinde ituri in aciem & majores vestros, & posteros cogitate.

MOTHUCHADH.

O mhothuchaidh ghraidh! thobair neo-thraiaich gach ni tha luachor 'n ar fubhachas, no costal 'n ar dubhachas! ceanglidh thu sios air leabe chonlaich t shear-sianuis, agus is tuse dhuisgas e suas gu neamh. O! thobair shiorruidh ar fulaing! Is annso lorgaras mi thu, agus is i so do bhith neamhidh, tha gluasachd ann taobh stigh dhiom: "Ge do chriopas m'anam, "ann ioma uair thuirsach, thin, air ais; agus chlisgas e air iomradh bhasorachd!"—focuil mhor!—Ach, gach subhachas agus curam mor, agus uasal, a mhothuchas

mhothuchas mi, is uaitse thig iad uile, O mhorchriodh an domhain! a ghluaisas ma thuitas roine d'ar cean anns a' chearne is faide mach do d' chruithachd. Air a bhrosnuchadh leatse, tairnidh Eugenius mo chuirtinan, nuair tha mi fann; eifdidh e ri m' ghearan, agus coiruchidh e an aimfir airfon a thinais. Bheir thu cuibhran dhe, cor uair, do'n bhuachil is fuaraiche 's na mulaich. Tachridh e ris an uan, do threud fir-eile, a loitadh. Anns a' mhinnaid fo, chunic mi e leagin a chin air a lorg-bhuachail, agus, le aomadh tuirfach, ag amharc air. O an tigin ach minnaid ni bu luaithe! tha e call fuil a chriod-tha fuil a chriodhfan fioladh leis.

Siothchaint dhuit, bhuachail uafail! chibh mi thu ag imachd ann dubhachas. Ach ao tromuchidh do shubachas aon la thu! Oir is sona do bhochan, agus is fona do chompanach, agus is fona na h uain ni mire mancuairt duit.

SENSIBILITY.

Dear Sensibility! fource inexhausted of all that is precious in our joys, or costly in our forrows! thou chainest thy martyr down upon his bed of straw, and it is thou who liftest him up to heaven. Eternal fountain of our feelings! It is here I trace thee, and this is thy divinity that stirs within me: not that in fome fad and fickening moments "my foul shrinks " back upon herfelf, and startles at destruction;" mere

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pomp of words! but that I feel some generous joys and generous cares beyond myself; all come from thee, great, great sensorium of the world, which vibrates, if a hair of our head falls to the ground, in the remotest desart of thy creation. Touched with thee, Eugenius draws my curtain when I languish; hears my tale of symptoms, and blames the weather for the disorders of his nerves. Thou givest a portion of it sometimes to the roughest peasant, who traverses the bleakest mountains. He finds the lacerated lamb of another's flock. This moment I behold him leaning with his head against his crook, with piteous inclination looking down upon it. Oh! had I come one moment sooner! it bleeds to death; his gentle heart bleeds with it.

Peace to thee, generous swain! I see thou walkest off with anguish; but thy joys shall balance it; for happy is thy cottage, and happy is the sharer of it, and happy are the lambs which sport about you.— STERNE.

Mr Pope's MESSIAH translated into Galic Rhime.

Inghina Shalem! duifgibh nois an ceol;
Dh'orana neamhidh 'n guth is aird' is coir,
Assina Phinduis us nam maidanan,
Dubhradh nan craobh, us fuarana nam beann,
Ni 's mo cho 'n ail — Mo ghuth, anois duisg thus'
Ri bili naomh Isaiais bhuin air thus.

Gu uairan eile faicin ghlaodh am bard: Torchidh maidan, 's beiridh maidan mac! Feuch! eir'chidh beangan, mach o fhreimhach Iess, Feadh speuran, chuiras dea-bholadh, le bhlaths'. Us air a dhuille trialidh 'n spiorad naomh, Air bhar ni tuirlin 'n colum diamhir, caomh. Neamha! mar dhriuchd, anuas, an ioc-shlaint, taom, Us, ann an geal-fhath, fiol an fhras go caoin! Le tin, 's le lag ni cuiduchadh an lus, O dhoinunn fafgadh, dubhradh fuar, o theas. Gach eucoir fguiridh, fiubhlidh ciontan fean, Us togidh Ceartas, ris ag tein, a meigh; Mach, thar an t faol, flat-ola finidh Sioth, 'S ann truscan geal theid Neochiontas 'nsin sios. Seachad na blianaidh, eiradh mhaddin ait! O! leim gu follus, leanaibh chaoimh bith breit. Tha Nadur, luath, ag deifruchadh a gibht, Curthachd fos, 's, do ghna, a tuis, ag fibht: Faic togal fuas a chean ard Lebanon, Faic air na cnoic ag damhfadh cranna trom: Faic neoil, lan spios, ag eirigh suas o Sharon, Is luf-mhaoth Carmel dea-bholadh nan speuran! Eisd! air an fhasach thiamhidh, tha guth ait; Gleusibh an t fligh' tha Dia, tha Dia ag teachd: Dia! Dia ag teachd 'nfin fhreagair guth nan creug. Us ghlaodh na beantan, labhairt, Dia ag teachd. Bith'bh iofal shleibhta, eiradh ard na glin, Tha 'n faol 'g a ghabhal, o na neamhdha, tein ! Umhlachd, bhar bar crom, Shedair thugibh dho, Comhrad chairga, uifgan bras dean rod!

Cluinidh

Cluinidh am balbh, tha 'n slanioir ag teachd, Gheal baird o shean! an dall chibh e gle ait. O fgiathan tiugh an t amharc glanidh e, Air chlach-shuil dhorch an la togidh e: Bheir do na cluasa duinte guth gu cluin; Us oran nuadh air fonna, ceolor, binn, Seinidh am balbh; gan trofnan criplach theid Uallach, thar altan leim, mar mhac an fheidh. Gearan no cumhadh, 's an t faol, cho bhith, ni 's mo, O'n fuilan uile glanidh e na deoir. Ann geamhlan cruaidh, 'nsin, ceanlar sios am bas, 'S ann Antiarn gruamach iofrain gath theid fas. Mar threudich math a choimhdas cruin na caoraidh, Innaltradh nuadh bhith's, go tric, ag iarridh, Chaoidhas luchd cailt, luchd feachrain threoruichas, 'S an oiche ghleadhas, 's an la innaltras; Na uain og togidh fuas, 'n a lamh, go caomh, Gach aon ag altram, ann a uchd mar naomh: Marfo mor-churam, do an chinadh-dhaon, Gabhidh Ath'r caomh nan lin a tha 'n ar deidh. Ni 's mo, cho 'n eirich riochd, ann aghai riochd, Ni 'n tachir gaifgaich, tograch, le aniochd; Air magha, fos, cho'n fhaicar iana glas, Cho duifg, ni 's mo, fuaim stuic ard-fhearg, gu cath. Na lain, gan fheim, 'n an corrain nitar crom, Do'n chlaidhamh-da-laimh nitar coltair trom. 'Nsin palluina theid suas, us ni am mac, Lan aoibhnach, 'ni fin thofich ath'r o shean; An craobha fion, d'an fliochd fein, dubhradh bheir, 'S, an lamh a thug go toirbheartach, 'nsin gheibh. Ionadh an treudich glacidh 'm fafach lom, Nuair chibh e feur, us neonain, fas fo bhonn; Cliofgidh,

Cliofgidh, nuair, meafgnan carruig, thartor, chruaidh, Ni eafan, leimnach, monar ann a chluais. Ann garraidh chruaidh, roi garradh dion nan dragon, Air chrith tha cuilc, us luachir turadan. Meafg ghlean thartor, cuirinichte le dreas, Tha giubhas birach, us cran buicfe deas; 'N ait lom-phreas fasidh, dosrach, an cran dait, 'S am miortal boltrach far ro droch-luinach. Air magha gorm le mic-tir theid na h uain, 'S an tiogar fdiuridh clan bheg meafg nan cluan; Gluaisidh le cheil, an leoghan us an damh, Us glanidh nathair cos nan taifgalach; An leanabh, beadradh, togidh ann a lamh Na dearca ballach, us an Nathair neimh, Toilichte, fealidh lannir uain an fcoil, 'S le 'n teangadh chrocach, agus gath, ni spors. Eirich o Shalem! tha le follus crunt', Do chean ard tog! na bith'dh do shuila duint', Faic mic, us nighana, tha 'ndiugh gan bhreith, Faic feadh, do chuirt, na h ail a tha gan bhith, Am buidh'nan cruin, ag eirich, air gach taobh, Ag iarridh beatha, deonach bhith air neamh. Faic ducha coimhach, gu do dhoirfa, teithadh, Trial ann do shollus, ann do theampul feithadh; Ma t' altair ghraonach tha na riogha cruin, Us gibhta trom do fhas nan Sabean! 'S ann dhuits' air spiosa Idume, tha blath, Us mein an oir am beanta Ophir fas. Faic doirsa neaimh, go graonach, fosgladh dhut; Us meadhon-la go foilfach, 'g eirich ort. Ni 's mo cho dath a' ghrian a' mhaddin chiuin,

No mhaddinog, no teachd an 't foluis uir;
Ach dorch, us foluicht' ann an dealradh glan
Solluis do chuirt-fe, tha gach follus fann;
'S leat fein an la! foilfach, ur, do ghna!
Lochran o neamh, bheir follus dhuit go brach.
Trath'chidh an cuan, mar dheatach trialidh neoil,
Mar dhus gach creug, leaghidh na cnoic mar cheir,
Ach fhocal daingan us a chumhachd treun,
Mairidh do riochd, riaghlidh Messiah fein!

MALVINA'S DREAM, by OSSIAN.

'S e guth anaim mo ruin a tha 'nn, O! 's ainmach gu aislin Mhalmhin' thu, Fosgluibh-se talla nan speur, Aithra Oscair nan cruaidh-bheum; Fosgluibh-se doirsa nan nial, Tha ceumma Mhalmhine go dian. Chualam guth a' m' aislin fein, Tha fathrum mo chleibh go ard. C' uime thanic an Offag a' m' dheigh O dhubh-shiubhal na linne od thall? Bha do fgiath fhuimnach ann gallan an aonaich, Shiubhall aislin Mhalhine go dian, . Ach chunic is' a run ag aomadh, 'S a cheo-earradh ag aomadh m' a chliabh : Bha dearsa na greine air thaobh ris, Co boifgal ri or nan daimh.

'S e guth anaim mo ruin a tha 'nn,
O! 's ainmach gu m' aislin fein thu.
'S comhnuidh dhuit anam Mhalmhine,
Mhic Ossain is treine lamh.
Dh'eirich m' osna marri dearsa o near,
Thaom mo dheoir measg shioladh na h oiche.
Bu ghallan Aluin a' t fhianuis mi Oscair,
Le m' uile gheuga uaine ma m' thimchiol?
Ach thanic do bhas-sa mar Ossaig
O 'n shasach, us dhaom mi sios.

Thanic earrach le fioladh nan fpeur,
Cho d'eirich duill' uaine dhamh fein;
Chunic oigha me famhach 's an talla,
Agus bhuail iad clairfach nan fonn.
Bha deoir ag taomadh le gruaidhan Mhalmhine;
Chunic oigh me 's mo thuiradh gu trom.
C' uime am bheil thu co tuirfach, a' m' fhianuis,
Chaomh Ainnir-og Luath-ath nan fruth.
An ro e fgiamhach mar dhearfa na greine?
Am bu cho tlachdor a' fhiubhal 's a chruth?
'S taitnach t fhonn an cluais Offain,
Nighain Luath-ath nan fruth dian.

Thanic guth nam bard nach beo,
Am meafg t aislin air aomadh nan sliabh,
Nuair thuit codal air do shuilan soirbh,
Aig cuan mor-shruth nan ioma fuaim,
Nuair phil thu slathal o 'n t seilg,
'S grian la thu ag sgaolta na bein.—
Chual thu guth nam bard nach beo:
'S glan saital do chiuil fein.
'S caoin saital nam fonn o Mhalmhine!

Ach claonidh iad anam gu deoir;
Tha folas ann Tuiradh le fioth,
Nuair dh'aomas cliabh tuirfe gu bron;
Ach claoidhih fad-thuirfe fiol dorthuin,
Fhlath-nighain Ofcair nan cruaidh-bheum.
'S ainmach an la gan nial
Thuitas iad, mar chuifag, fo 'n ghrian,
Nuair sheallas i sios 'n a foilse,
Andeigh do'n dubh cheathach siubhal do'n bheinn,
'S a throm-chean fo shioladh na h oiche.

TRANSLATION.

IT was the voice of my love! few are his visits to the Dreams of Malvina! Open your airy halls, ye fathers of mighty Toscar! unfold the gates of your clouds. The steps of Malvina's departure are night. I have heard a voice in my dream. I feel the fluttering of my foul. Why didst thou come, O blast, from the dark rolling of the lake? Thy rustling was in the trees, the dream of Malvina departed. But she beheld her love, when his robe of mist flew on the wind; the beam of the sun was on his skirts, they glittered like the gold of the stranger. It was the voice of my love; few are his visits to Malvina.

But thou dwellest in the soul of Malvina, son of mighty Ossian. My sighs arise with the beams of the east; my tears descend with the drops of night. I was a lovely tree in thy presence, Oscar, with all my branches

branches round me; but thy death came like a blast from the defart, and laid my green head low; the Spring returned with its showers, but no leaf of mine arose. The virgins saw me silent in the hall, and they touched the harp of joy. The tear was on the check of Malvina: the virgins beheld me in my grief. Why art thou sad, thou first of the maids of Lutha? was he lovely as the beam of the morning, and stately in thy sight?

Pleasant is thy song in Ossian's ear, daughter of streamy Lutha! Thou hast heard the music of departed bards in the dream of thy rest, when sleep fell on thine eyes, at the murmur of Moruth. When thou didst return from the chace, in the day of the sun, thou hast heard the music of the bards, and thy song is lovely. It is lovely, O Malvina, but it melts the soul. There is a joy in grief, when peace dwells in the breast of the sad. But sorrow wastes the mournful, O daughter of Toscar, and their days are few. They fall away like the slower on which the sun looks in his strength, after the mildew has passed over, and its head is heavy with the drops of night.

Claidhamh Guth-ullin, or the Sword of Guchullin.

Chuir e an claidhamh, fada, fiorchruaidh, Fulanach, tean, tainic, geur, 'S a chean air a chur ann go focair, Mar chuis mholta gan dochair lein, 'S e go dirach, diafadach, dubh-ghorm, 'S e cultuidh, cumtadh, conalach, Go leathan, liobhadh, liobharadh, Go focair, fasdadh, fo-bhuailte, Air laimh-chli a' ghaifgaich; Gur aisaiche do naimhdan a fheachnadh, No tachairt ris 's an am fin : Cho bu lughe no cnoc fleibh, Gach ceum a dheanadh an gaifgach.

TRANSLATION by Sir James Foulis, Bart.

He feiz'd his fword, thick, broad, and long, Well forg'd, well hammer'd, temper'd ftrong, Polish'd, of purest metal made, Like lightning blaz'd the thining blade; Jagg'd like a faw, it tore and hewed, Inur'd to flaughter, blood embrued; Dire horror, and destructive fate, On the fell edge attentive wait; 'Twas certain death its stroke to feel: Strength-withering, life-devouring steel,

Ev'n valiant foes, struck at the sight, Durst hope no safety but by slight; Their ranks wide scattering all abroad, From hill to hill the hero strode.

ODE from a MS. Collection in the Possession of Mission Campbell of Blandfield.

'S luaimnach mo chodal an nochd, Ge beo mi, cho bheo mo thlachd, Mo chriodh air fearg ann 'm uchd, 'S trom dubhach m' intin go beachd. 'S anns an arach, annso shios, Tha bean is meachire, min-gheal cruth, Deud air dhreach cailc 'n a beul, Bu bhinne no teud-chiuil a guth. Mar chobhar an uifge ghloin, Mar shlios eala ri uisge mear, Glan leug mar an cathamh-cuir Dfhag thu me gan chobhair ann d' dheigh. Slat ur nam faina fionn, Bean is mine, moghar, full, 'S a gruaidh, mar an caoran dearg, Air lafadh mar dhealbh an rois. Meoir fhionn air bhasa ban, Uchd follus is aile fnuadh, An gaol a thug mi dhi r'a luadh Ochon nan och, is cruaidh an cas!

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Cho dirich mi aonach no bein,
Mo cheum air a lagadh go trom,
Aighar cho tig air mo ghnuis,
Gus an dean an uir me flan.
Mar ghraine mulaich na deis,
Mar ghallan 's an og-choille fas,
Mar ghrian ri folach nan reul,
Bu thu fein am meafg nam mna.

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A VOCABULARY of PRIMITIVES.

[m. represents masculine, f. feminine, 1. first declension, and 2. the second. The genitive of each noun is given at full length for the satisfaction of those who chuse to study the language, and to exemplify the rules and method to the Galic Reader.]

Substantive Nouns.

Abhar, abhair, m. 1.

Accair, m. 2.

Adharc, adhairc, f. 2.

Amadan, amadain, m. I,

Alt, uilt, m. 1.

Aosdan, aosdain, m. I.

Aodan, aodain, m. 1.

Aran, arain, m. 1.

Aros, arois, m. 1.

Arm, airm, m. 1.

Arnais, arnais, f. 2.

Bard, baird, m. 2.

Ball, buill, m. 1.

Bannis, bainnse, f. 2.

Bith, bith, f. 2.

Bo, bo, f. 2. (pl. ba.)

Boc, buic, m. I.

Bonn, buinn, m. 1.

a cause.

an anchor.

a horn.

a fool.

a joint, finew.

a feer.

the face.

bread.

an habitation.

arms, army.

ftores.

a poet.

a báll, a place.

a wedding.

being.

a cow.

a buck.

a base, sole.

Bord, buird, m. 1.

Cabag, cabaig, f. 2.

Cabar, cabair, m. 1.

Caoradh, caoraidh, f. 1.

Cean, cin, m. 1.

Ceift, ceift, f. 2.

Cos, cois, f. 2.

Damh, daimh, m. 1.

Dealg, dilg, m. 1.

Dorus, doruis, m. 2.

Eagal, eagail, m. 1.

Edal, edail, f. 2.

Eolas, eolais, m. 1.

Fabhar, fabhair, m. I.

Focul, focuil, m. 1.

Falluin, falluin, f. 2.

Feusag, feusaig, f 2.

Gaoth, gaoith, f. 2.

Geilt, geilt, f. 2.

Gille, gille, m. 2.

Glean, glin, m. I.

Ial, eil, f. 2.

Iasg, eisg, m. 2.

Iarrun, iarrruin, m. Į.

Itag, itaig, f. 2.

La, la, (pl. laan), m. 2.

Lanth, laimh, m. 2.

Lann, lainn, m. 1.

Laoch, laoich, m. 1.

Leac, lic, m. 2.

Mac, mic, m. 1.

a board, table.

a cheese.

a pole.

a sheep.

the head.

a question.

a foot.

a bullock.

a wire, pin.

a door.

fear.

a treasure.

knowledge.

a favour.

a word.

a cloak.

a beard.

the wind.

terror.

a voice.

a valley.

a strap, a thong.

a fish.

iron.

a feather.

a day.

the hand.

a fword.

an hero.

a flate, a stone,

a fon.

Madadb,

Madadh, madaidh, m. 1.

Meire, meire, m. 2.

Meall, mill, m. 1.

Mias, meis, m. 2.

Muc, muic, m. 2.

Nadur, Naduir, m. 1.

Neas, nis, m. 2.

Olc, uilc, m. 1.

Ofnadh, ofnaidh, f. I.

Or, oir, m.

Oire, cire, m. 2.

Paluin, paluin, f. 2.

Paisde, paisde, m. 2.

Pian, pein, f. 2.

Piobair, piobair, m. 2.

Rann, rainn, m. 2.

Ridir, ridir, m. 2.

Rinnag, rinnaig, f. 2.

Riogh, riogh, m. 2.

Sac, faic, m. 1.

Sagairt, Sagairt, m. 2.

Sliabh, fleibh, m. 2.

Searag, fearaig, f. 2.

Talla, talla, f. 2.

Tanas, tanais, m. I.

Tigh, tigh, m. 2.

Tir, tir, f. 2.

Ton, tuinn, f. 2.

Ubhal, ubhail, f. 2.

Uchd, uchd, m. z.

Vdar, udair, m. 2.

a dog.

a troop.

an heap.

a platter, difh.

a fow.

nature.

a weafel.

evil.

a figh.

gold.

an heir.

a temple.

a child.

pain.

a piper.

a verse.

a knight.

a star.

a king.

a bag, a fack.

a priest.

a mountain.

a battle.

a hall.

a ghost.

a house.

a country.

a wave.

an apple.

the breaft.

an author.

Urnaidh,

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Urnuidh, urnuidh, f. 2. a prayer. Urlar, urlair, m. a floor.

Adjective Nouns.

Aghor, Alloil, Alluin, Amidach, Balbh, Beanol, Bafor, Beg, Cam, Caintach, Coir, Caomh, Dall, Dan, Daingan, Deas, Doirbh, Eaglach, Eolach, Imchuidh, Iongantach, Jochdor, Gradhach, Geur, Goirt,

lucky, fortunate. renowned. handsome. foolifh. dumb. like a woman, modest. mortal. little. crooked. talkative. just, honest. dear, beloved. blind. bold, forward, impudent. tight, ftrong. neat. crofs, difficult. timorous. intelligent. fit, proper. wonderful. merciful. loving. edged, sharp, four. fore, four. Gleuse,

| Gle | usde, |
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| Gar | ·bh, |
| - | - |

Furasde, Farsin, Fuilach, Follaisach,

Lag, Laidir, Lionor,

Leonte,

Luthor,

Math, Mall,

Mifgach, Muladach,

Naomh,

Neo-ghlan,

Narach, Obbuin,

Ocrach,

Og, Pailt,

Peccach,

Priofol,

Ramhar,

Reubach,

Riach,

Reidh,

Samhach,

Santach,

Sgiamhach,

tuneful, agreeable.

rough, robust.

eafy. wide. bloody.

public. weak.

ftrong. numerous. wounded.

of much strength.

good. flow.

drunken.

holy.

unclean.

fudden.

hungry.

young.

plentiful.

precious.

fat.

that tears.

grey.

eafy, ready.

quiet.

covetous.

beautiful.

Y

Sona,

Sona. happy, bleffed. Tana. thin. fubstantial. Tarbhach, fad. Tuirfach, Treun. valiant. Uaibhrach, high-minded. Uailol, boafting. honourable. Uramach,

Verbs.

It has been already observed, that the Dative Case of the present participle, or that gerundive which signifies action, is the present of the infinitive. Dh therefore begins verbs beginning with a vowel, and h is put after the initial consonants in those that begin with consonants.

Dh'abachadh, to ripen. Dh'aitachadh. to inhabit. Bhathadh. to drown. Bheannuchadh, to bless. Chabbadh, to indent. Chaidradh, to embrace. Chomhairlachadh, to advise. Dhamhfadh, to dance. Dhearmad, to forget. Dhealradh, to fhine. Dh'eifdachd, to hear. Dfhuadachadh, to elope with. Dfhairadh, to watch. Ghabhal, to take, receive.

Glearradh,

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Ghearradh. to cut. to lock, feal. Ghlasadh. Dh'iarruidh, to ask, seek. Dh'imthachd. to depart. Dh'iomain, to drive. to speak. Labhairt, Lamfachadb, to handle. Lafaah, to light, kindle. Mholadh, to praife. Mheaduchadh, to multiply. Neartachadh. to strengthen. Naomhachadh, to fanctify. Phaighadh, to pay. to fin. Pheccachadh. Ranfuchadh, to fearch. Reic, to fell. Shantachadh, to covet. Sheafadh, to stand. to direct, to steer. Sdiuradh, to fcratch. Sgrobadh, to fwallow. Shlugadh, to correct. Smachdachadh, Thagradh, to defend a cause.

Thagradh, to defend to teach.

Thogal, to lift.
Thoirt, to give.
Dh'uisgachadh, to water.

Dh'urachadh, to refresh, renew.



